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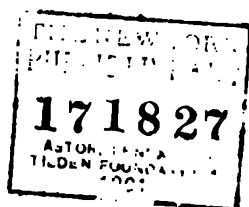
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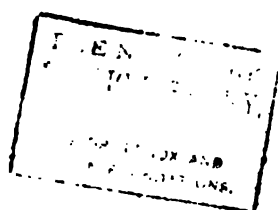
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Formation of Synod.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Synod was opened with prayer by the Rev. O. H. Gregory, D.D., the President of the last General Synod, who preached a sermon on the evening of the first day of the session, from Philippians 1: 19, last clause: "*I am set for the defence of the Gospel.*"

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

From the Particular Synod of New York.

1. *From Classis of New York.*—Rev. Thomas C. Strong, Jeremiah S. Lord, D.D., Charles M. Jameson. *Elders*—Samuel B. Schieffelin, Thomas J. Emmons, John Van Nest.

2. *From South Classis of New York.*—Rev. Mancius S. Hutton, D.D., John B. Steele, Abraham Berky. *Elders*—Josiah W. Baker, M. T. Hewitt.

3. *From Classis of New Brunswick.*—Rev. Henry V. Voorhees, John A. Van Doren, Stephen Searle, (*d.*) *Elders*—Joseph Van Doren, Henry V. Hoagland, J. V. D. Hoagland, (*a.*)

(*a*) Took his seat on the second day of the session.

(*d*) Took his seat on the sixth day of the session.

4. *From Classis of Raritan*.—Rev. Cornelius H. Edgar, James A. H. Cornell, D.D., John F. Mesick, D.D., (b) (k.) Elders—James J. Van Nuis, (c) Edward F. Stewart, Peter D. Vroom, (d) (m.)

5. *From Classis of Bergen*.—Rev. Benjamin C. Taylor, D.D., Cornelius L. Wells, Hasbrouck Dubois. Elders—Cornelius C. Van Riper, (k) Stephen Garretson, James A. Williamson.

6. *From Classis of Paramus*.—Rev. John T. Demarest, D.D., William Demarest, James Huysssoon. Elders—James P. Wortendyke, (m) John Halstead, David D. Smith, (d) (m.)

7. *From South Classis of Long Island*.—Rev. Anthony Elmendorf, D.D., J. T. M. Davie, Nehemiah P. Pierce, (m.) Elders—John Burgess, Richard Remsen, Isaac E. Bergen.

8. *From North Classis of Long Island*.—Rev. William W. Halloway, James Demarest, John C. Lowe. Elders—John E. Keeler, John N. Stearns, Barnet Johnson, (a.)

9. *From Classis of Poughkeepsie*.—Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef, George M. McKron, Francis M. Kip, D.D. Elders—Walter Brett, (m) Henry D. Varick, Harvey D. Platt.

10. *From Classis of Philadelphia*.—Rev. Albert W. Knowlton, (h) Joseph F. Berg, D.D., (h) John Van Liew, (m.) Elder—Jacob G. Schomp, (m.)

11. *From Classis of Passaic*.—Rev. A. G. Ryerson, John A. Staats, John Gaston, (d.) Elder—John Halstead, (b.)

12. *From Classis of Hudson*.—Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D., Abraham H. Myers, Rev. John H. Pitcher, (a) Elders—Thomas Finger, Robert B. Shepherd, (c.)

13. *From Classis of Westchester*.—Rev. Isaac M. See, Abel T. Stewart, Victor M. Hulbert. Elders—Abraham D. Stevens, Gabriel P. Reeve, Charles Dusenberry, Abraham G. Stephens, (m.)

14. *From Classis of Monmouth*.—Rev. Ezra W. Collier, James B. Wilson, Ralph Willis. Elders—Henry Smock, William Spader.

15. *From Classis of Arcot, (India)*.—Rev. Joseph Scudder, Jared W. Scudder.

(a) Took his seat on the second day of the session.

(b) Took his seat on the third day of the session.

(c) Obtained leave of absence on the third day of the session.

(d) Took his seat on the sixth day of the session.

(e) Took his seat on the seventh day of the session.

(h) Obtained leave of absence on the seventh day of the session.

(k) Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the session.

(m) Obtained leave of absence on the ninth day of the session.



From the Particular Synod of Albany.

1. *From Classis of Albany*.—Rev. Jacob Van Vechten, D.D., Harmon Schnellendruessler, (m) Francis Dyer. Elders—William B. Hull, William McElroy, Robert Taylor, (a.)

2. *From the Classis of Ulster*.—Rev. Cornelius Blauvelt, John Minor, Joachim Elmendorf. Elders—Luther Laflin, John McGinnes, (a) (k.)

3. *From the Classis of Rensselaer*.—Rev. Josiah Jansen, William W. Letson, Edward P. Stimpson. Elders—Charles W. Lovejoy, John E. New, (c.)

4. *From the Classis of Montgomery*.—Rev. Ransford Wells, D.D., Philip Furbeck. Elders—Henry I. Schuyler, (k) Simon J. Veeder, Christopher C. Bellinger, (k.)

5. *From the Classis of Schoharie*.—Rev. Cornelius E. Crispell, Thomas L. Schafer, (m) Edwin Vedder. Elders—James Lewis, (m) David I. Warner, (m) Peter Z. Swartz.

6. *From the Classis of Schenectady*.—Rev. John A. Debaun, Isaac G. Duryee. Elders—

7. *From the Classis of Cayuga*.—Rev. George H. Fisher, D.D., John Garretson, D.D. Elders—

8. *From the Classis of Orange*.—Rev. Abraham B. Van Zandt, D.D., William Hamilton, Jeremiah Searle, Jr. Elders—Theodore Comfort, John A. Morrinson, (a) (k.)

9. *From the Classis of Greene*.—Rev. Seth P. M. Hastings, Cyril Spaulding, William D. Buckelew. Elders—Philip Collier, (g) James Van Deusen, John Larroway.

10. *From the Classis of Geneva*.—Rev. John W. Schenck, Benjamin Bassler, Charles Wiley, D.D., (b.) Elders—

11. *From the Classis of Kingston*.—Rev. Benjamin C. Lippincott, Josiah Markle, John N. Jansen, (m.) Elders—Garret N. Rosa, Ebenezer Lounsberry.

12. *From the Classis of Saratoga*.—Rev. John Steele, Oscar H. Gregory, D.D., Cornelius Van Santvoord, D.D. Elders—Jacob I. Lansing, Louis Rousseau, (a) (c.)

(a) Took his seat on the second day of the session.

(b) Took his seat on the third day of the session.

(c) Obtained leave of absence on the third day of the session.

(g) Obtained leave of absence on the fourth day of the session.

(k) Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the session.

(m) Obtained leave of absence on the ninth day of the session.

From the Particular Synod of Chicago.

1. *From the Classis of Illinois*.—Rev. A. D. Wilson, (b) John S. Joralmon, (b.) Elder—Ludovicus Viele.
2. *From the Classis of Michigan*.—Rev. William Bailey. Elders—
3. *From the Classis of Holland*.—Rev. Philip Phelps, (m) Peter J. Oggel, (m.) Elders—
4. *From the Classis of Wisconsin*.—Rev. Elders—

ARTICLE III.

MODERATORS.

The Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef was chosen *President*; the Rev. Abraham B. Van Zandt, D.D., *Adessor*; and the Rev. Messrs. John Steele and Cornelius L. Wells, *Clerks pro tem*.

ARTICLE IV.

READING OF THE MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last Ordinary Session of Synod were read.

Acts of the Synod.

ARTICLE I.

ORDERS AND RULES.

These were read.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed:

On Professorate.—Rev. Cornelius E. Crispell, Oscar H. Gregory, Jared W. Scudder. Elders, John Van Nest and James A. Williamson.

On Synodical Minutes.—Rev. John B. Steele, Charles M. Jameson, Henry V. Voorhees. Elders, James I. Ten Eyck and Stephen Garretson.

(b) Took his seat on the third day of the session.

(m) Obtained leave of absence on the ninth day of the session.

On Domestic Missions.—Rev. Ransford Wells, D.D., John Garretson, D.D., William Bailey. Elders, Samuel B. Schieffelin and A. D. Stephens.

On State of Religion.—Rev. George H. Fisher, D.D., William Demarest, Cornelius H. Edgar. Elders, James R. Wortendyke and Edward F. Stewart.

On Accounts.—Rev. Ralph Willis, Ezra W. Collier, John Minor. Elders, William Spader and Richard Remsen.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.—Rev. F. M. Kip, D.D., John B. Steele, John A. Van Doren. Elders, Thomas J. Emmons and Stephen Garretson.

On Correspondence.—Rev. Anthony Elmendorf, D.D., B. C. Lippincott, Isaac M. See. Elders, William B. Hull and Charles Dusenberry.

On Education.—Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D., James A. H. Cornell, D.D., Philip Phelps. Elders, Josiah W. Baker and Henry Hoagland.

On Nominations.—Rev. Abel T. Stewart, Joachim Elmendorf, John A. Staats. Elders, Gabriel P. Reeve and Simon J. Veeder.

On the Widows' Fund.—Rev. John T. Demarest, D.D., Mancius S. Hutton, D.D., David D. Demarest, D.D. Elders, Samuel B. Schieffelin and Henry D. Varick.

On Publication.—Rev. Benjamin C. Taylor, D.D., Victor M. Hulbert, Benjamin Bassler. Elders, John Burgess and C. Van Riper.

On Foreign Missions.—Rev. Abraham B. Van Zandt, D.D., C. Van Santvoord, D.D., William W. Halloway. Elders, Garret N. Rosa and Luther Laffin.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following report was received from the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, which was read, and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY TO GENERAL SYNOD.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary met in Peter Hertzog Hall, on Tuesday, May 21st, 1861, at 11 o'clock, A. M. The President, Rev. John Gosman, D.D., opened the meeting with prayer. The following members were present:

Rev. H. D. Ganse,	Rev. V. M. Hulbert,
" M. S. Hutton, D.D.,	" Ralph Willis,
" John De Witt, D.D.,	" John Simonson,

Rev. D. H. Riddle, D.D.,
 " Wm. Demarest,
 " John H. Manning,
 " W. W. Halloway,
 " Samuel Van Vechten,
 " W. J. R. Taylor, D.D.,
 " P. Stryker Talmage,
 " John H. Pitcher,

Rev. John Gosman, D.D.,
 " Joseph Knieskern,
 " John Garretson, D.D.,
 " M. V. Schoonmaker,
 " Wm. E. Turner,
 " B. C. Lippincott,
 " John L. See,
 " Aaron Lloyd.

The following Classes were not represented at this meeting, viz.: Rensselaer, Schoharie, Schenectady, Saratoga, Michigan, Holland, Arcot, Raritan and Wisconsin. The last named has no member appointed.

The seats of the following members become vacant by the expiration of their terms of service at the next meeting of General Synod, viz.:

Rev. D. H. Riddle, D.D.,
 " John H. Pitcher,
 " V. M. Hulbert,
 " Oscar H. Gregory, D.D.,
 " John L. See,

Rev. Ralph Willis,
 " Wm. G. E. See,
 " M. V. Schoonmaker,
 " Aaron Lloyd,
 " H. M. Scudder, M.D., D.D.

The Board was organized by the election of Rev. John Garretson, D.D., President, and Rev. W. W. Halloway, Clerk. The sermon was preached by the Rev. John L. See, from Isaiah, 60: 12, and the address to the students at the close of the examinations was delivered by Rev. F. M. Kip, D.D.

From the Report of the Faculty, it appeared that the following has been the attendance of students at the Seminary during the past year:

Senior Class.

Augustus Blauvelt,
 Peres B. Bouncy,
 John B. Drury,
 C. B. Durand,
 Wm. Rankin Duryee,
 Isaac L. Kip,
 Josephus O. Krum,
 Wm. H. Miller,
 R. Pieters,

R. M. Stanbrough,
 M. Swick,
 Abraham Thompson,
 Jacob Van Der Meulen,
 Christian Van Der Veer,
 F. V. Van Vranken,
 Henry Vehslage, Jr.,
 Thomas G. Watson,
 P. Q. Wilson.—18.

Middle Class.

T. Romeyn Beck,
 H. W. Brandt,
 J. R. Brock,
 Marcus Burr,
 Isaac H. Collier,
 Wm. Cornell,
 T. Sanford Doolittle,

Gilbert S. Garretson,
 Uriah D. Gulick,
 Herbert H. Hawes,
 John R. Mathews,
 Abraham Mattice,
 Alonzo P. Peeke,
 J. Kelly Rhinehart,

Jacob Fehrmann,
Samuel J. Rogers,
H. R. Schermerhorn,
A. J. Seebring,

F. F. Wilson,
John Van Der Meulen,
R. M. Whitbeck.—21.

Junior Class.

Wm. H. Ballagh,
J. W. Beardslee,
Francis M. Bogardus,
W. E. Bogardus,
Richard De Witt,
Julius W. Geyer,
A. J. Hegeman,
John H. Kanten,
James Lyell,

Wm. H. Phraner,
Wm. J. Skillman,
J. Howard Van Doren,
Dupuytren Vermilye,
H. M. Voorhees,
Wm. B. Voorhees,
Charles W. Wilson,
Egbert Winter,
Jeremiah L. Zabriskie.—18.

Total, 57.

Mr. Wm. H. Phraner was admitted to the Seminary by the Faculty, after the adjournment of the Committee of Examinations. Mr. Hawes, of the Middle Class, a member of the Presbyterian Church, withdrew from the Seminary during the present month, and returned to his home in Virginia. Mr. Brandt, of the Middle Class, has also withdrawn, and enlisted in the army of the United States. Mr. Perea B. Bouney, of the Senior Class, is a member of the Presbyterian Church. He has prosecuted the whole course of theological study in our Seminary. The Theological Faculty say that "they have to make the sad announcement of the death of their esteemed colleague, the Rev. Samuel A. Van Vranken, D.D., Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, which occurred on the first day of this year. The doctor's death was the fitting close of a life of consistent advocacy of the doctrines of grace. The prayer of his surviving colleagues is, that they may imitate the deceased in his love for the truth, and his Christian virtues."

On the subject of Dr. Van Vranken's death the following action was taken by the Board:

Resolved, That the Board bow with submission to the dispensation by which the senior professor has been removed from the service of the Church, and would cherish an affectionate remembrance of his services, his spiritual devotedness, and the fidelity and ability with which, for a long series of years, he discharged the important duties devolving on him in the responsible position which he occupied in our Theological Seminary.

The Faculty state that on the death of Dr. Van Vranken, they "continued to read his lectures to the classes." In so doing, they simply wished to prevent any interruption in the regular exercises of the Seminary. They have occupied all Dr. Van Vranken's hours, reading his lectures, and preparing the classes for examination in didactic and polemic theology as far as was practicable, with due attention to their own appropriate duties, believing that the sound and the living ought, in as far as possible, to do the work of the sick or dead, until the

proper authorities have made other and better arrangements." In reference to this statement the following action was taken:

Resolved, That the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary express their high appreciation and grateful sense of the services rendered to the Church by the Professors of Biblical Literature and Church History, during the past session, by performing the duties of the Theological Chair.

An important matter was also brought before the Board, in the following extract from the Report of the Faculty:

"The Faculty beg leave to suggest that such action should be taken by the Board and Synod as would relieve the Theological Faculty from teaching in the College. The large increase in the number of the students, and the general interests of the Seminary, imperatively demand all the time of the Professors; while the number and eminent abilities of the Literary Faculty render them fully able to discharge all the duties of the College." The Board considered the above suggestion of the Theological Faculty as meriting consideration and as early action as may be practicable, and therefore adopted the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be recommended to General Synod to take measures to afford the desired relief.

The Faculty report the completion of the improvements in the Seminary grounds contemplated in the original plan, including certain necessary repairs, all of which have been paid for, excepting a balance of about \$200, which they hope to liquidate without calling upon General Synod.

The Faculty furnished a pleasing report of the fidelity of the students in their studies, and of their consistent walk and conversation.

By a resolution of the Board, the sessions were extended beyond the usual time, in order to secure a more full and critical examination of the several classes; and the Board are happy to bear testimony to the promptness and accuracy with which the students acquitted themselves in their various departments. The examination in Theology gave full evidence of the fidelity of the surviving professors in carrying forward the instructions of their deceased colleague.

The Senior Class were heard in the delivery of specimen sermons, and also examined on personal religion and their views in entering the Gospel ministry; and were all recommended for the usual *Professoral Certificate*.

Agreeably to the direction of Synod, the students were interrogated as to their compliance with the rules prescribed for them on the subject of preaching; from which it appeared that a few violations of the law occurred before the official announcement of the penalty attached thereto by the last General Synod, but none have occurred since that time. The Board therefore report no names to General Synod as exceeding the rule.

In view of certain embarrassments to which Professors and students are subjected in the application of the law of 1858, during vacations in the Seminary, the Board resolved that the permission which the

Professors may give to the students of the Senior Class to preach during the vacations will, in the opinion of the Board, meet the spirit of the law of 1858, if it shall indicate the sermons which each student may preach, and the region and the period in which he shall be permitted to preach them.

Mr. William B. Van Benschoten, of the Senior Class in Rutgers College, was examined, and, by resolution of the Board, recommended to the General Synod as a suitable person to receive aid from the Van Benschoten Fund.

In conclusion, the Board congratulate General Synod on the present highly satisfactory condition and growing prosperity of our school of the Prophets, earnestly commending it to the confidence and fostering care of the Church.

VICTOR M. HULBERT, *Chairman.*

A true copy.

P. D. VAN CLEEF, *Stated Clerk.*

Reports were received from the Classes of Schoharie, Bergen, South Classis of New York, Greene, Orange, Holland, Raritan, North Classis of Long Island, Westchester, Paramus, New Brunswick, Monmouth, Kingston, Rensselaer, Ulster, Hudson, Poughkeepsie, Geneva, South Classis of Long Island, New York, and Michigan, in relation to the amendment of Section 1st, Article 4th, Chapter 2nd, of the Constitution, which were referred to a Special Committee, consisting of the Rev. Jeremiah S. Lord, D.D., Hasbrouck Dubois, and Elder M. I. Hewitt, to ascertain and report the result.

A communication from the Classis of Holland was received, asking the Synod to annul all previous actions on the subject of "Students' Preaching," which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from the Classis of Philadelphia, transmitting an overture to the General Synod, which was read and referred to the Committee on Overtures.

A communication was received from Mr. William G. Mentz, in reference to his late contract with General Synod for publishing the Psalm and Hymn Book, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF CORPORATION.

The following report of the Board of Direction of the Corporation was received, accompanied with the Treasurer's Report, the Annual Digest, a list of the securities held by the Board, a list of the endowed scholarships, a list of the clerical subscribers to the Widows' Fund and the Board of Education, together with the report of John C. Elmen-

dorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, in relation to the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church:

The Board of Direction respectfully report, that in accordance with their previous proceedings, and in compliance with the instructions of the General Synod, the Board has endeavored to continue the plan entered upon by them for the purpose of adding to the Fund for Contingent Expenses; but, from the deranged condition of pecuniary affairs generally since the last meeting of General Synod, the matter has not been pressed upon the Churches as earnestly as under other circumstances it would have been, and consequently there has been only \$230.76 added from contributions to the sum reported last year, making the amount of the Fund at this time \$994.39.

From the replies which have been received from many of the Churches to the appeals made to them, the Board can only suppose that the necessity as well as advantage of securing such a Fund is not clearly understood by them.

Heretofore the Churches have been called on annually, through their several Classes, for a very small sum from each to meet contingent expenses; and while a large part have regularly met the claim upon them, a portion have been very dilatory, if not entirely forgetful of the necessities of General Synod. Surely such ought not to be the case, for every Church should feel that it is a part of the whole body, and has an equal interest as well as equal obligations in seeing that the pecuniary affairs of Synod are prudently and also faithfully managed; and to secure this end, should cheerfully and promptly furnish its quota of the needful funds, at least so long as it is necessary for annual assessments to be made.

That the affairs of General Synod cannot be managed without the use of money would seem to be apparent to all, yet from the published action of one or more of the Classes, and the views of some of the Churches, it would seem as though they expected current expenses to be met in some undefined way, by which *they*, at least, would be exempt from constituting any portion. Such a view of obligations as allows them to withhold their shares of the necessary supply to meet the annual requirement, and of leaving it for others to furnish all that may be requisite, *or of suffering the just claims against Synod to go unpaid*, certainly ought not to be indulged in while the Churches are the only resource to obtain the funds indispensably necessary.

To obviate the difficulties attendant upon delay or remissness in furnishing the needful supply of funds, and relieve the different Classes from the trouble of an annual assessment, measures were taken to obtain a Fund, from the interest on which the current expenses could be defrayed. The advantages of such a Fund would, it was supposed, be clearly seen by every one familiar with the past history of our Church in relation to the support of the Theological Seminary. The possession of a Fund, judiciously invested, has, from the revenue derived therefrom for a number of years past, relieved the Churches from any

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Permanent Professorial Fund.

Under this head are included all the moneys which have been collected and invested on the subscriptions for the Professorships, as well as the moneys formerly in the hands of the Trustees of Rutgers College; also the donation of \$5,000 by the late Colonel Henry Rutgers, for the benefit of Rutgers College, viz.:
Loaned by the Board of Direction, secured by bonds and mortgages of real estate, (excepting three bonds of the Collegiate Dutch Church, which are not accompanied by mortgages.)..... \$85,150 00
Twenty-three shares of Bergen Turnpike Stock, ten of which belong to Rutgers College, valued at..... 230 00
Amount of unpaid subscriptions to the Permanent Fund of General Synod..... \$12,250 00
Deduct the amount which the Board believe cannot be collected..... 6,250 00
Leaving subscriptions supposed to be good..... 6,000 00

Board of Domestic Missions.

There has been invested for this Board, on bond secured by mortgage, \$250 00

Church Building Fund.

The amount of this Fund, on 30th April, 1861, is..... \$1,803 94
Of which there is loaned upon bond and mortgage..... 1,800 00

Permanent Contingent Fund.

The amount of contributions to this Fund, to 30th April, 1861, is... \$994 39
Of which there is loaned upon bond and mortgage..... 900 00

Sustentation Fund.

The balance of this Fund, on 31st April, 1861, is..... \$354 64

Minutes of General Synod.

There has been received for Minutes of General Synod, during the past year..... \$273 60
And there has been paid for printing Minutes..... 304 60

Assets in the Hands of the Treasurer.

Bonds and mortgages, and bonds, amounting to..... \$150,800 00
Cash, Balance in Bank..... 186 52
Advanced in anticipation of receipts for interest and contingent expenses, to meet the payments at their usual times..... 1,338 62
\$152,325 14

New York, June 4th, 1861.

W. B. CROSBY, *President.*

M. S. HUTTON,
P. R. WARNER,
THEO. FRELINGHUYSEN, } *Directors.*

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

So much of the above Report of the Board of Direction, and accompanying documents, as relates to the Widows' Fund, was referred to the Committee on the Widows' Fund; so much as relates to the Board of Education, to the Committee on Education; and the residue to the Committee on Professorate.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to the election of the Board of Direction of the Corporation. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were chosen: Mr. William B. Crosby, *President*; Rev. Mancius S. Hutton, D.D., Peter R. Warner, and Theodore Frelinghuysen, LL.D., *Directors*; and John I. Brower, *Treasurer*.

ARTICLE V.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The following Report was received from the Rev. Abraham Messler, D.D., the delegate of the Synod to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which was accepted, and referred to the Committee on Correspondence:

To the President of the General Synod of the Ref. Prot. Dutch Church:

The undersigned, appointed by the last General Synod Corresponding Delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, begs leave respectfully to report, that he had the pleasure of meeting that body in the city of Philadelphia, on the 16th of May, and to continue with them for seven consecutive days of the session.

He was received with kindness and treated with respect, and bears back to this Synod the assurance of the continued confidence of that numerous body of Christians, and the affectionate mode in which they cherish a desire for the continuance of such fraternal intercourse.

ABRAHAM MESSLER.

SOMERVILLE, N. J., June 6th, 1861.

The Rev. William W. Phillips, D.D., of the Presbyterian Church, appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a Corresponding Delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

The Committee on Correspondence presented their Report, which was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Correspondence would respectfully report:

That the Report of the delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which has been referred to them, calls for no action on the part of Synod.

A communication was also placed in our hands from Rev. Thomas De Witt, D.D., on the subject of our correspondence with the Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church in South Africa, accompanied by a small volume containing an account of the opening of their Theological Seminary, with the addresses delivered on the occasion, for our library at New Brunswick, and a copy of the Minutes of their last session, in 1856. From these Minutes we learn that the Synod has under its charge sixty Churches, which are in a peaceful, and, for the most part, a prosperous state. Measures have been taken in behalf of Domestic and Foreign Missionary work, and to furnish a religious literature to the people. Reference is made in the record to their correspondence with us. The reason why no response has yet been received to our communication sent in 1856, obviously is, that this had not reached them previous to their last session; and the next, after an interval of five years, occurs in 1862.

It appears, as stated by Rev. Dr. De Witt, that one of our ministers, Rev. Mr. Vandewall, is about to enter this promising field of labor in South Africa.

From the historical relations of our respective churches, our common origin and name, the identity of our doctrinal standards, and other points of special interest to us, a cordial sympathy will not otherwise than subsist between us and them.

For a delegate to be chosen to represent us at the next meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, we present the following names: Rev. E. S. Porter, D.D., *Primarius*; Rev. D. D. Demarest, D.D., *Secundus*; Rev. John F. Mesick, D.D., *Primarius*; Rev. C. Van Santvoord, D.D., *Secundus*.

A. ELMENDORF, *Chairman Cor. Com.*

A communication was received from Rev. Dr. De Witt, transmitting a copy of the Minutes of the General Synod of South Africa, which was referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The Committee on Correspondence having reported a double number of persons from whom to elect delegates to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, Synod proceeded to the election, when the following were chosen: Rev. Elbert S. Porter, D.D., *Primarius*; and Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D., *Secundus*.

ARTICLE VI.

SYNODICAL REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

In conformity with the standing regulation, the Synod spent a part of the afternoon of the first day of the session in religious exercises, conducted agreeably to a plan previously reported by a Committee for that purpose, consisting of Rev. George H. Fisher, D.D., Jeremiah S. Lord, D.D., and the Elder, Samuel B. Schieffelin.

Resolved, That the subject of making arrangements for the observance of the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper be referred to the Committee appointed on the devotional exercises of the Synod.

Resolved, That a prayer-meeting be held in the Consistory Room of the Church, from half past eight o'clock to nine o'clock, A. M.

The Committee on the State of Religion reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION.

The Committee on the State of Religion begs leave to present the following report:

Your Committee has carefully examined the reports sent up in the Minutes of the Particular Synods of New York, Albany, and Chicago.

From these reports we derive this general information.

1. That in the Synod of New York, there is "the cheering fact of continued faithfulness in duty, and of general prosperity in things spiritual and temporal, made known by the various reports of Classes under care of that Synod."

2. That in the Synod of Albany, "the Churches report almost uniformly many encouraging tokens of the presence of the Lord among them, and his blessing on their labors in his cause. Without special or powerful outpourings of the Spirit of the Lord, there have been exhibited good attendance on the sanctuary services; the meetings for prayer have been generally well sustained; charitable contributions, though not exemplary in all cases, have been constant and liberal; the Sabbath-school has been well sustained; catechetical instruction, for the most part, faithfully rendered; and a pure Gospel has been preached, with earnestness and fidelity."

3. That in the Synod of Chicago, "growth is indicated; benevolence has increased in a three-fold degree; occasion is furnished for thanksgiving; and there is good reason for rejoicing in the steady advance of the interests dear to our hearts, and dear to our Master."

Besides these general statements made by the several Synods in their Minutes, your Committee has ascertained from the statistical tables—

1. That the whole number of persons added to the Churches by confession of faith is 2,487.

2. That this addition has ranged from 1 to 66, in the several congregations.

3. That the largest addition has been made in the Church of Flatbush, if we except a certain German Church, which received 111; a number which would appear, from the Minutes of the Synod of New York, to be in some way an exceptional case.

4. That the accessions do not amount to quite six persons for each church, on an average estimate.

5. And that the whole number of additions exceeds the additions reported for the last foregoing ecclesiastical year, by the small number of eight persons only.

Your Committee has thus placed before Synod the substance of the materials placed in its hands, from which to draw up a statement of the condition of religion within our bounds. A more extended view of those materials would be to reproduce the reports themselves of the lower Synods, which supply nothing further but details.

Your Committee might here be contented with remarking, that the reports sent up to us, although they describe circumstances of rich promise and interest in some Churches, yet contain nothing specially noticeable on the general condition of the Churches, or the success of the Gospel at large.

But we wish particularly to direct the attention of this Synod to two facts, which the presentation above given appears to us to make strikingly apparent.

1. The first of which is, that, with exceptions, only numerous enough to enable us to say that there are exceptions, our Churches have been visited with very ordinary measures of the power and the Spirit of our Lord, during the past year.

Thirty-seven (37) Churches are reported as having received fifteen and over that number, on confession of faith. While three hundred and eighty-two (382) Churches are reported as having received accessions falling below that number.

The second fact is, that our Churches can scarcely be said to be holding their ground, since the increase in numbers of the professed followers of Christ amounts to only eight persons for all the Churches, beyond the numbers of the foregoing year.

Your Committee, upon a close examination of reports and tables, does not feel at liberty to congratulate the Synod on the success or the attainments of the past year, because there has not been a special, a marked, a wide-spread display of the power of Divine Grace.

If the Churches be viewed in certain aspects, it is indeed cheering to behold the evidences of fidelity on the part of both ministers and people. And such tokens as do exist, showing God's presence and blessing, are indeed both pleasant and encouraging. Yet it may be asked—as it was of the few loaves of bread and the great multitude of people—What are these, among so many? For the things which may encourage, we may and we must give thanks—warm, earnest thanks, to the Head of the Church. But as to the many and great things whereunto we have not yet attained, but unto which we might have already attained, considering the means of grace which the Master has furnished to our hand, we may, and we ought, to be humbled to the dust at that Master's feet.

We may have pleasant things within our camp, but we ought, besides this, to make vigorous and sustained aggressive advances upon the hosts of the Lord's enemies. It should be an aim and a sustained work to gain, not an average of scarcely six confessors for Christ, but accessions which shall be counted by sixties in every Church.

We believe that the General Synod neither can nor will rest satisfied with such a condition of religion as, with whatever local pleasant-

ness may attach to special exceptions, leaves the entire Church, to say the least of it, in only not a retrograding condition.

It does not seem to be the province of your Committee to point out what might be considered as reasons to account for, or to explain our lack of manifest and mighty growth; because, as there are no statements found in the materials which we have in hand, whatever the Committee might say, would be, not facts in our history of the year, but our personal, and therefore insufficient, conjectures.

Nor does it seem to be the duty of the Committee to suggest any method for the rendering more efficient the agencies of the Ministry or the Sabbath-school, and other means employed to augment the success and the glory of the Gospel.

Still less is it the prerogative or the design of your Committee to say that the several agencies just mentioned have not been employed with zeal and fidelity. Earnestness and fidelity are clearly ascertained to have been employed. Surely, if they had not been so employed, conversions of sinners and edification of believers would not have grown to the measure which we are now permitted gratefully to record.

There are, however, certain auxiliaries to the great work of which we are now treating: namely, the work of deepening, and spreading, and perfecting the ennobling, the saving experience of the power and grace of the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ; auxiliaries which your Committee deems it to be its legitimate office to hold up to the view of the Synod at this moment. These auxiliaries are—

1. A more single and thorough spirituality of religious life.
2. A more intense heavenly-mindedness; and
3. A more complete and maintained culture of grace in the individual heart.

These auxiliaries are not referred to as matters of doctrinal teaching, for they proceed upon the admission, that if the Church is ever or in any soil to grow as the lily, and cast forth her roots as Lebanon, it is because her God will be to her as the dew to Israel. But they are produced as a practical significance; a work to be done and to be repeated in all individual effort; the combining and carrying out of the elements of a successful Christian life to its greatest attainable results.

St. Paul's prayer for the Philippians affords more than a conjecture or an inference, as it regards both the features and the causes of a flourishing Church. That prayer warrants us in considering as the unalterable laws of spiritual growth in the Church of God the following things: "Abounding more and more in love, in knowledge, and in judgment; approving things that are excellent; being sincere and without offence till the day of Christ; and being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ unto the glory and praise of God."

Your Committee believes, if we have taken a correct view of the Reports presented to us by the Particular Synod, that while we admit all that can be claimed in commendation of the state of religion, it must still be also admitted that, as a Church, we have failed in the

main to reach those more eminent attributes of a growing righteousness which we could have attained.

It must be admitted, also, that our actual personal religion has suffered, and is now suffering, from allowed causes which produce diversity and weakness of Christian character.

It must be admitted, that we have not reached a period of deep and thorough revivals.

To these admissions there must be added the strange and most solemn fact, that when the country was just recovering from the disasters following the check of an unexampled commercial and industrial prosperity, it has been suddenly plunged into the struggle of maintaining its dignity and integrity, against a new commercial and industrial prostration, and an unexampled civil war, threatening its overthrow and dismemberment.

Under these circumstances, your Committee believes it to be the duty and the interest of the General Synod, in its capacity as the highest commissioned superintendent and guardian of religion, and in its individual capacity as assembled ministers and elders representing all divisions of the Churches and people, to enter upon the new ecclesiastical year with a concentrated, a combined, and universal effort towards far greater and grander results than the history of the past year has written on its annals.

That we may expect greater, much greater things, is indisputable, in view of the entire construction of Christianity; of the manifestations of the power of religion; and of the fact that we live under the ministration of the same Holy Spirit who blessed the early New Testament Church. As it regards everything essential to conversion and sanctification; to the pulling down of the strongholds of the adversary, and the building up of the kingdom of our blessed Lord, we assuredly possess everything, identically and really, which the apostles possessed. The difference between the men of that age and ourselves is a simple, and it is a plain difference. They, evidently, with great earnestness and strong faith, appealed to the ministration of the Holy Spirit; we go near to neglecting it, or we use it only partially and at times. They opened their mouth wide, and God filled it; we open ours only a little, and we consequently have only a little granted.

In view, therefore, of the existing aspects of religion in the Churches, your Committee recommends to the General Synod the following resolutions:

1. That we do render to Almighty God most humble and hearty thanks for the brotherly kindness and charity which have prevailed during the past year; for the maintenance of those Christian institutions which at once adorn and bless the Church; for the ministration of pure and catholic Christian doctrines; and for the power of God and the Spirit of Jesus, which have rendered the preaching of the Gospel effectual to edify believers in Christ, and to convert impenitent men to the knowledge and faith of the one great and divine Redeemer.

2. That for the more thorough accomplishment of the work required within our Churches and congregations; for the more energetic and

successful aggression which our religion should make on the surrounding irreligion, skepticism, and dominion of Satan; and in view of the evils which may result to the Church of Christ from the existence of a great civil war; and furthermore, in view of the aspects of the times, as foreshadowing the occurrence of events which may usher in the reign of Him whose right it is to reign over all the earth—we will, for ourselves, in humble dependence on the Spirit of God, bring to our work a more single and thorough spirituality of religious life; a more intense heavenly-mindedness; and a more complete and maintained culture of grace in the individual heart, and will labor to induce the like purpose among the Churches and people.

Our report to the Synod must be closed with mentioning that, during the year, five ministers have finished their earthly course, viz.: The Rev. Peter J. Van Pelt, D.D., and the Rev. John Mulligan, in the Classis of New York; the Rev. Abraham Fort, in the Classis of Ulster; the Rev. John C. Van Liew, in the Classis of Schoharie; and the Rev. Franklin Merrill, in the Classis of Saratoga.

To this list must be added the name of Samuel A. Van Vranken, D.D., Professor of Theology, of whom mention is also made in another place in the proceedings of this Synod.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the Committee.

GEO. H. FISHER, *Chairman*.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census, Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.												
New York.....	Thomas De Witt.....	450	44	30	37	...	38	1138	32	7	.....	100	695	\$14,375 28	.....	{ 116 Ninth Street. 20 East 37th Street. 70 West 36th Street. 205 West 31st Street. 68 Hammond Street. Broadway, cor. 21st Street. 115 West 22d Street. 206 West 22d Street. 122 Livingston Street. 50th St., bet. 1st and 2d Aves. 20 West 28th Street. 122d Street and 3d Avenue. 155th Street, cor. Broadway.
Thirty-Fourth Street.....	T. E. Vermilye.....	195	18	32	44	...	7	373	15	6	250	50	324	1,300 00	.....	.....
Greenwich.....	P. Stryker.....	325	30	21	6	...	6	367	16	11	275	60	200	1,547 74	.....	.....
Twenty-First Street.....	Thomas C. Strong.....	160	20	25	20	...	2	273	10	3	120	138	193	1,758 22	7,500 00	.....
North West, 23d St.....	George W. Bethune.....	190	11	17	9	1	3	392	10	1	125	30	325	2,246 40	7,825 00	.....
German Evan. Miss. Ch.....	A. R. Van Nest.....	170	61	...	6	1	4	756	40	1	150	...	335	545 98	1,737 83	.....
Mt. Pleasant, 50th St.....	J. C. Guldin.....	55	6	11	1	...	1	130	4	...	150	...	150	125 00	900 00	.....
Bloomington.....	C. M. Jameson.....	100	5	...	1	...	2	65	40	...	100	...	160	...	...	.....
Harlem.....	E. Van Aken.....	173	3	5	20	...	2	262	6	...	240	38	340	1,100 00	...	.....
Washington Heights.....	J. S. Lord.....	30	3	...	2	...	...	48	7	...	20	20	...	80 90	...	.....
Harlem Ger. Ref. Ch.....	C. Whitehead.....	18	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Mott Haven.....	Vacant.....	80	5	7	1	...	...	71	1	3	50	50	87	...	...	.....
3d German Reformed.....	W. T. Enyard.....	60	17	...	6	1	...	136	16	...	26	10	...	113 00	...	.....
Staten Island.....	H. A. Friedel.....	100	7	11	4	...	5	296	25	1	...	...	400	965 00	1,900 00	.....
Richmond.....	J. Brownlee.....	58	3	4	1	...	1	14	1	2	50	25	200	350 00	...	.....
Huguenots.....	E. N. White.....	...	...	...	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
4th German Reformed.....	Vacant.....	53	23	3	...	...	...	93	20	...	5	6	...	35 00	265 00	.....
Prospect Hill.....	J. H. Oerter.....	41	1	37	...	...	...	38	13	...	100	12	85	102 05	2,873 07	.....
	D. McL. Quackenbush..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....
Total.....	.....	2328	295	203	167	5	71	4407	264	39	1721	605	3554	\$54,704 57	\$28,963 69	.....

Ministers without Charge.—Revs. John Forsyth, D.D., J. B. Hardenberg, D.D., laboring at the corner of Madison and Gouverneur Sts., N. J. Marselius, (B. C.,) A. N. Kittle, T. B. Gregory, H. B. Stryker, F. Zastern, T. R. G. Peck, at the Huguenot Church, Charleston, S. C.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.							Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total new in Com- munion.	Infants.		Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
										Adults.							
Stapleton	Thos. H. Skinner, Jr.	70	4	9	14	...	3	255	19	1	200	40	200	...	...	...	Stapleton, S. I.
Tompkinsville.	Ed. W. Hitchcock	76	11	7	6	...	3	185	16	2	235	68	187	\$1,200 00	...	...	Tompkinsville, S. I.
South Dutch	Jno. M. Macauley	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	New York City.
Market Street	Chauncey D. Murray	175	22	23	19	...	1	438	8	7	400	66	600	2,639 25	\$8,309 98	...	" "
Washington Square	M. S. Hutton	70	0	3	5	...	3	106	12	1	55	60	140	...	...	...	" "
Manhattan	Ebenezer Wiggins	68	7	5	5	...	4	177	30	...	30	20	120	270 00	1,160 00	...	Brooklyn, E. D.
Bushwick	S. H. Meeker, (S. C.)	48	25	2	1	...	4	54	13	13	...	...	85	18 57	...	...	" "
Courtlandtown	Vacant	53	4	2	2	...	1	81	2	2	...	...	51	124 54	...	...	Peekskill, N. Y.
Peekskill	C. D. Buck	105	2	7	5	...	2	150	2	2	120	150	150	...	2,500 00	...	New York City.
Union Ref. Dutch Ch., Sixth Av.	J. C. Dutcher	94	23	...	2	...	2	226	88	...	22	38	144	...	...	...	" "
German Ref. P. Dutch Church	A. Berk	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
German Reformed	J. S. Ebaugh	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
Ger. R. P. D. Ch., Tompkinsville	Jno. Wenisch	50	14	...	...	...	1	34	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Tompkinsville, S. I.
North Trin. R. D. Ch., of N. Y.	Vacant	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
Total		808	121	58	58	...	24	1716	199	26	1062	442	1677	\$4,192 36	\$13,503 98	...	...

Ministers without Charge, with P. O. Address.—Rev. Dr. Mathews, N. Y. City; Rev. J. B. Steele, N. Y. City; Rev. Chas. Knouse, N. Y. City; Rev. Jno. Albart, N. Y. City; Rev. Joseph McKee, Newark, N. J.; Rev. A. R. Thompson, ministering to the South Church at Bridgeport, Conn.; and Rev. R. A. Quin, Chaplain of the Sailor's Snug Harbor, S. I. *Candidates.*—Isaac W. Warner.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Total now in Com- munion.				Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.									Died.
First New Brunswick	Samuel B. Howe	168	6	8	2	2	487	13	75	78	295	\$788 00	.....	New Brunswick, N. J.
Six Mile Run	Jacob C. Sears	116	7	2	2	2	293	17	78	32	205	.....	.....	Six Mile Run, "
Hillsborough	John De Witt	170	14	10	6	5	372	10	60	90	250	1,450 00	\$2,100 00	Millstone, Somerset C, "	
Middlebrook	J. A. Van Doren	68	4	7	4	2	123	2	50	75	350 19	781 98	.....	Middlebush, "
Griggstown	Stephen Searle	120	3	6	8	3	220	15	33	55	70	172 00	.....	Griggstown, "
Second New Brunswick	Hugh N. Wilson	96	1	2	1	1	118	4	47	29	70	289 56	240 00	New Brunswick, "	
Boundbrook	Henry V. Voorhees	83	3	1	0	0	69	2	33	.....	50	48 00	.....	Boundbrook, "
Third New Brunswick	Vacant	78	7	13	6	1	105	14	94	47	40	325 00	.....	New Brunswick, "
East Millstone	David Cole (S. C.)	55	3	6	2	0	69	2	30	15	50	1,318 88	1,053 48	Millstone, Somerset C, "	
Metuchin	J. B. Thompson	748	45	56	41	2	1787	105	10	572	268	\$5,079 16	\$17,373 97	Metuchin, "	
Total	Total														

Ministers without Charge, with P. O. Address.—John Proudft, Wm. J. Thompson, New Brunswick, N. J.; William H. Steele, Newark, N. J.; Robert Julien, Borden-
town, N. J.; Jacob Baay, Missionary, Keokuk, Iowa. Candidates.—Marshall Hendshaw, New Brunswick, N. J.; Frederick R. Brace, Millstone, Somerset County, N. J.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Total now in Com- munion.					Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.							
1st Raritan	Abraham Messler, D.D.	187	2	2	11	3	457	8	1	60	.....	.....	.....	Somerville, N. J.
Bedminster	William Brush	150	11	6	10	4	227	5	3	60	.....	\$500 00	.....	Pluckamla, "
White House	S. Sturges	156	7	4	.....	.....	138	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	White House, "
Lebanon	R. Van Amburgh	175	5	1	2	6	173	17	.....	.....	.....	400 00	.....	Lebanon, "
North Branch	P. M. Donlittie	97	6	8	4	5	120	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	North Branch, "
2d Raritan	J. F. Mesick (S. C.)	150	13	20	24	3	314	12	2	100	.....	.....	.....	Somerville, "
Poa Pack	H. P. Thompson	104	4	8	2	3	142	14	1	65	80	155 00	\$1,400 00	Poa Pack, "
Branchville	William Pitcher	100	6	9	6	4	134	14	2	.....	.....	.....	239 12	Raritan, "
3d Raritan	James Lefevre	112	7	10	11	3	208	22	2	110	100	.....	403 53	Raritan, "
Easton	C. H. Edgar	46	1	12	4	2	68	4	.....	60	.....	.....	71 38	Easton, Pa.
Warren	J. F. Neef	44	15	.....	1	.....	76	15	.....	27	36	.....	8 00	Plainfield, N. J.
Plainfield	J. F. Neef	25	6	.....	.....	.....	65	7	.....	6	9	.....	15 00	Plainfield, "
Total	Total	1326	83	80	75	7	37	2122	139	11	497	325	\$1,904 88	\$1,400 00	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Alexander McClelland, D.D., Rev. John Van Der Veer, D.D., Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, D.D., Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			Rec'd.	Discontinued.				Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.		Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Purposes.
				On Confession	On Certificate	Suspended.	Died.									
Bergen.....	Benjamin C. Taylor.....	280	5	20	15	7	333	22	...	175	150	215	\$1,171 19	\$3,060 00	Hudson, Hudson Co., N. J.	
English Neighborhood.....	Andrew B. Taylor.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	743 88	...	English Neighborhood, "
1st Hackensack.....	Alex. H. Warner, (S. C.).....	90	6	5	...	2	82	19	...	30	30	...	300 00	...	Hackensack, Bergen Co., "	
Schraalenbergh.....	William R. Gordon.....	163	5	2	...	6	124	25	...	70	20	80	224 60	5,300 00	Schraalenbergh, " "	
Belleville.....	Peter A. Studdiford.....	...	...	...	...	178	7	...	...	75	67	130	263 40	1,229 78	Belleville, Essex "
1st Jersey City.....	David H. Riddle.....	92	5	7	3	1	121	5	1	120	66	94	835 72	3,617 82	Jersey City, "	
Bergen Neck.....	Aaron L. Stillwell.....	60	3	1	3	...	60	9	1	25	25	50	143 30	900 00	Saltville, Hudson "	
1st Newark.....	Edward P. Terhune.....	200	13	15	13	3	394	19	3	100	120	300	3,878 00	6,870 00	Newark, Essex "	
Irrington.....	Vacant.....	65	10	4	4	1	70	...	...	...	...	40	148 00	1,225 00	Irvington, " "
New Durham.....	W. V. V. Mabon.....	110	5	4	7	...	129	20	2	75	150	200	...	...	New Durham, Hud. "
1st Van Vorst.....	Paul D. Van Cleef.....	155	12	17	11	4	263	24	5	153	153	192	1,670 95	3,298 43	Jersey City, "	
2d Newark.....	Gustavus Abeel.....	110	12	23	6	4	238	22	2	150	100	300	604 94	2,220 00	Newark, Essex "	
3d Newark, German.....	F. A. Lohback.....	119	11	...	48	12	287	350	...	52	52	100	12 00	800 00	Newark, " "	
Hoboken.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Hoboken, " "
3d Jersey City.....	Cornas, L. Wells.....	112	1	32	2	4	109	8	...	80	150	160	400 00	4,375 00	Jersey City, Hud. "	
German, North Bergen.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	New Durham, Hud. "
1st Hudson City.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Bergen Point, " "
Bergen Point.....	Henry W. F. Jones.....	50	6	9	7	...	61	4	1	30	11	47	321 73	2,436 32	Franklin, Essex "	
Franklin.....	John S. Lott.....	50	2	7	12	1	45	13	...	103	103	89	83 15	405 24	Hoboken, Hudson "	
German, Hoboken.....	L. Mohr.....	70	12	4	6	...	81	35	...	10	36	100	31 54	903 00	Hackensack, Bergen "	
2d Hackensack.....	James Demarest, Jr.....	70	2	4	1	...	1	77	8	120	60	85	1,207 87	1,400 00	Hackensack, Bergen "	
North Church, Newark.....	Hasbrouck Du Bois.....	160	16	18	3	1	187	13	2	275	120	270	1,560 00	600 00	Newark, Essex "	
German, Jersey City.....	C. S. Deoppenschmidt*.....	140	14	4	2	...	71	7	...	7	15	90	6 65	189 63	Jersey City, "	
German, Hackensack.....	W. Wolff, (S. S.).....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	12	16	80	...	...	Hackensack, Bergen "
2d Ch., Hud. City, Ger.....	C. S. Deoppenschmidt*.....	30	6	3	...	...	45	5	...	5	18	45	...	104 35	Hudson City, Hud. "
Total.....		2116	247	175	140	3 55	3153	588	20	1727	1570	2803	\$13,792 30	\$37,430 22		

* Missionary.

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. John L. Chapman, Teacher; Alex. W. McClure, Alvin Ostrom, Missionary to China; Chas. Parker, James M. Brown, R. B. Campfield, Sec'y Sab. School Board; M. Lusk, A. M. Mann, R. D. Van Kleck, Teacher; John E. Watkins, Missionary to China; James H. Ballagh, under appointment as Missionary to China. *Candidates*.—Henry B. Lott, M. B. Riddle.

JUNE, 1861.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.							Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Miss. Station, Boardville	Jas. E. Bernart, Miss'y.	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	30	...	80	\$73 00	.....	Pompton, N. J.
Fairfield ..	Joseph Wilson.	60	2	...	...	...	4	...	8	...	60	68	100	37 00	.....	Little Falls, N. J.
Little Falls ..	John C. Cruikshank	60	...	2	...	6	...	...	7	1	...	...	70	35 00	.....	Little Falls, N. J.
Montville ..	Nathaniel Conklin.	136	4	...	...	...	...	1	6	...	60	30	120	631 87	\$500 00	Montville, N. J.
Pompton Plains ..	J. Ferguson Harris.	165	6	...	...	2	...	5	10	...	70	80	250	124 87	.....	Pompton Plains, N. J.
Pompton ..	John Gaston	125	8	...	...	9	...	7	7	1	60	80	130	245 00	2,350 60	Pompton, N. J.
Pond's ..	B. V. Collins.	80	9	...	...	1	...	...	6	...	50	100	140	18 00	.....	Pompton, N. J.
Preakness ..	John A. Staats, (S. C.)	80	1	...	...	...	3	...	7	...	110	33	120	170 85	.....	Paterson, N. J.
Stone House Plains ..	P. Tryker Talmage.	90	1	...	...	...	...	...	5	...	95	35	125	75 00	.....	Paterson, N. J.
Wychoff ..	A. G. Ryerson.	100	...	1	...	...	1	...	7	...	50	40	105	115 25	109 00	Bloomfield, N. J.
Total	Total	905	25	15	21	1	1	1	63	3	575	426	1240	\$1,420 84	\$4,545 60	Godwinville, Bergen Co., N. J.	

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Communicants.										Bap.	C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Rec'd.			Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.		Adults.		Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
		Confession.	On Certificate.															
Clarkstown	Peter J. Quick	100	3	1	4	6	147	8	2	42	110	\$	324 21	\$	860 00	Nyack Turnpike, N. Y.		
Tappan	Isaac D. Cole	120	1	4	2	5	139	11	2	30	100	100	100 00	2,000 00	2,000 00	Tappan Town, N. J.		
Acquackonk	J. Paschal Strong, (S. C.)	210	12	1	2	6	281	10	2	150	35	150	1,050 50	1,320 46	1,320 46	Passaic, " "		
1st Church, Totowa	Alex. McKelvey	150	3	1	4	2	182	15	1	125	175	175	210 54	1,100 00	1,100 00	Paterson, " "		
2d Church, Totowa	John H. Duryea	160	12	3	3	10	281	20	3	150	20	200	450 00	1,100 00	1,100 00	Paterson, " "		
Paramus	E. Tanjore Corwin	195	9	1	8	8	166	12	2	200	20	200	1,442 00	874 00	874 00	Hoboken, " "		
Pascack	John T. Demarest	70	8	5	3	4	117	8	1	35	30	88	88 82	74 00	74 00	Pascack, " "		
Saddle River	John Manley	80	5	3	1	1	82	3	3	25	70	70	31 00	152 53	152 53	Monsey, N. Y.		
Ramapo	Wm. Demarest	52	2	1	1	1	52	3	3	30	25	25	152 53	152 53	152 53	Suffern, " "		
West New Hempstead	Peter Allen	65	2	1	1	1	87	6	3	10	17	40	165 00	1,985 78	1,985 78	Spring Valley, " "		
Warwick	Ferdinand H. Vanderveer	80	3	2	1	3	89	2	3	160	60	180	410 00	1,985 78	1,985 78	Warwick, " "		
Nyack	Uriah Marvin	140	5	9	2	1	219	6	1	35	20	50	182 00	1,600 00	1,600 00	Nyack, " "		
Piermont	Henry E. Decker	80	4	3	1	1	98	7	1	35	20	50	182 00	1,600 00	1,600 00	Piermont, " "		
Holland Church, Paterson	No report	19	1	34	1	1	84	38	1	30	30	30	132 75	529 75	529 75	Paterson, N. J.		
Holland Church, Lodi	James Huyssoon	1501	65	64	23	2	1942	149	15	1057	522	1275	\$4,602 38	\$10,209 99	\$10,209 99	Paterson, N. J.		
Total.....																		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Wm. R. Bogardus, Paterson, N. J.; Rev. P. Palz, Jersey City, N. J. Candidates.—Wm. G. Haeelbarth.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.	C. & B. C.		Sabbath-Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.			
			Rec'd.	On Certificate.			Dismissed.		Suspended.	Died.		Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.		Adults.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	On Certificate.											
Jamaica.....	J. E. Alliger.....	160	5	9	4	...	1	219	8	1	200	\$450 00	\$2,200 00	Jamaica, L. I.			
Newtown.....	Wm. Anderson.....	125	8	3	6	...	3	161	6	1	130	1,233 95	2,000 00	Newtown, "			
Oyster Bay.....	John C. Lowe.....	77	4	...	...	...	...	117	3	3	30	123 98	...	Cedar Swamp, L. I.
North Hempstead.....	Ira C. Boice.....	70	6	1	3	...	...	83	4	4	15	425 16	2,746 00	Manhasset, "	
Williamsburgh.....	E. S. Porter.....	200	12	9	9	1	3	363	22	3	480	656 14	4,100 00	Williamsburgh, "			
Astoria.....	Wm. H. Ten Eyck.....	65	4	2	...	...	3	84	8	1	51	901 32	1,722 69	Astoria, "	
Greenpoint.....	Geyn Talmage.....	125	16	9	5	...	4	125	5	5	...	...	...	Greenpoint, "
Flushing.....	Wm. W. Holloway.....	87	9	2	...	...	...	101	6	2	60	274 02	3,938 16	Flushing, "
South Bushwick.....	Pennia Wortman, Jr.....	55	4	13	...	...	3	76	5	1	60	118 125	116 00	Williamsburgh, "	
Lee Avenue.....	John McC. Holmes, (S. C.)...	190	22	45	4	...	3	225	12	7	600	1,815 32	25,000 00	"			
East Williamsburgh.....	Vacant.....	50	2	3	5	...	...	63	6	1	24	144 14	868 37	Maaspath, "	
Queens.....	John W. Hammond.....	55	3	2	2	...	...	53	10	...	50	60 00	1,700 00	Queens, "	
2d Church, Newtown, (Ger.).....	C. Diekhaut, (S. S.).....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Newtown, "
Woodhaven.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Woodhaven, "
Total.....	Total.....	1239	95	98	36	1	23	1644	95	29	2597	\$6,197 03	\$44,265 22				

Minist'ers without Charge.—E. R. Atwater, J. Demarest, John Gray, A. C. Hillman, J. S. Hiram, P. S. Williamson, Jefferson Wynkoop.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Subsist. Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Brooklyn	A. A. Willels	160	11	40	...	1	247	12	1	160	10	250	\$ 1,913 19	\$ 5,411 67	Brooklyn, L. I.
Flatbush	Thos. M. Strong	90	66	4	12	4	186	13	9	148	110	91	738 97	...	Flatbush, L. I.
New Utrecht	R. Ormiston Currie	85	5	5	2	1	138	11	1	30	...	135	...	...	New Utrecht, L. I.
Gravesend	Maurice G. Hansen	90	5	...	...	1	107	10	...	74	15	75	315 81	...	Gravesend, "
Flatlands	J. T. M. Davis	70	5	...	1	...	94	17	...	...	...	90	...	...	Flatlands, "
New Lots	J. M. Van Buren	60	1	...	1	4	98	11	...	40	25	40	232 86	...	East New York, L. I.
East New York	Asa F. Mann	60	5	...	2	4	98	8	2	40	20	130	412 00	1,875 00	do.
South Brooklyn	J. H. Manning	41	...	...	...	...	37	2	...	45	25	50	100 00	1,400 80	Brooklyn, "
Middle Brooklyn	N. E. Smith	235	34	32	14	1	405	23	9	...	110	320	1,350 00	7,320 00	do.
North Brooklyn	N. P. Pierce	80	2	0	3	2	117	5	...	...	...	170	300 09	...	do.
North Brooklyn	A. Elmendorf	196	18	9	9	1	328	26	11	300	290	296	1,310 37	7,114 23	do.
Church on the Heights	James Ellis	190	8	48	64	4	309	12	...	250	300	330	4,447 60	10,000 00	do.
Church on the Heights	C. Dickhaut	22	14	2	...	...	56	18	...	36	36	60	6 65	179 77	East Brooklyn, "
New Brooklyn	J. West, (S. C.)	58	5	14	2	2	128	8	...	118	103	133	387 00	1,871 00	Brooklyn, "
Bergen Hill	Charles W. Baird	50	5	5	2	...	51	6	...	...	...	90	...	...	do.
Total		1486	174	114	3	39	2461	172	33	1231	1004	2260	\$10,527 14	\$34,966 72	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. J. Labagh, Rev. Baynard N. Hall, D.D., Frans M. Schneeweis; Rev. Daniel Rapallo, Missionary in China.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.												
1st Church, Poughkeepsie.	G. M. McKon.	183	12	7	8	5	294	3	6	.....	75	185	\$1,154 60	.....	Poughkeepsie.
2d Church, Poughkeepsie	C. S. Hageman, (S. C.)	106	15	16	3	1	192	6	4	25	50	140	772 53	.....	Poughkeepsie.
Fishkill.	Francis M. Kip.	85	3	2	1	1	192	2	2	108	.....	190	611 00	.....	Fishkill.
Hopewell.	Oliver E. Cobb.	90	8	5	7	.....	256	4	3	40	116	.....	563 00	.....	Adrian.
New Hackensack	Cornelius Van Cleef.	120	9	.....	1	.....	253	6	8	40	.....	190	304 43	.....	New Hackensack.
Fishkill Landing.	John H. Suydam.	112	2	3	1	3	144	5	2	100	70	150	252 72	\$13,000 00	Fishkill Landing.
Rhinebeck.	H. R. Timlow.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Rhinebeck.
Hyde Park.	Henry Dater.	85	6	9	10	1	3	161	4	1	.....	40	85 22	.....	Hyde Park.
Greenbush.	Herman Vedder.	40	1	2	1	.....	67	1	.....	30	25	30	63 00	.....	Pine Plains.
Glenham.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Glenham.
Cold Spring.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cold Spring, Putnam Co.
Total.	820	56	42	32	2	20	1559	31	24	303	375	825	3,802 50	\$13,000 00

Ministers without Charge, with Post Office Address.—S. A. Van Vechten, Fishkill; William A. Miller, Albany; William A. Cornell, Poughkeepsie.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Esp.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath-Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Total now in Com- munion.					Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.								
Harlingen	J. Gardner	160	5	6	7	5	230	22	1	40	30	250	\$ 308 23	.....	Harlingen, N. J.
Readington	J. Van Liew	180	9	2	9	7	217	11	...	...	...	206	253 60	\$ 825 00	Readington, "
Ne-Shanic	G. Lindow .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Ne-Shanic, "
First Church, Philadelphia .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	300	16	...	...	...	800	880 04	...	Philadelphia, Pa.
Second do.	J. F. Berg	11	7	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	do.
Third do.	W. J. R. Taylor	120	7	3	11	10	201	12	3	120	170	196	1,700 00	5,200 00	do.	
N. & S. Hampton	A. O. Halsey .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	do.
Blawenburgh	A. W. Knowlton	100	2	6	5	3	130	2	...	50	50	...	460 00	3,000 00	Blawenburgh, N. J.	
Stanton	T. B. Romeyn, (S. C.)	89	...	2	2	1	174	6	...	90	18	...	...	...	Stanton, "
Manayunk	H. Doolittle	70	15	4	2	7	150	8	2	...	50	100	30 00	...	Manayunk, Pa.	
Rocky Hill	W. Fulton .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rocky Hill	M. L. Schenck .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total .....	...	719	49	30	40	7	26	1402	77	6	250	318	1546	\$3,631 87	\$9,025 00

Minister without Charge.—C. P. Mack. Licensee.—Charles Collins, Jr.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
		Census. Number of Families.	Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Total Number of Scholars.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
Hudson.....	David D. Demarest, (S.C.)	140	5	15	2	212	10	1	90	30	220	\$795 38	\$2,500 00	Hudson, N. Y.	
1st Claverack.....	Amnon P. Van Gieson.....	200	11	2	1	315	10	5	100	40	140	249 11	3,351 70	Claverack, "	
2d ".....	John H. Pitcher.....	100	1	2	1	86	1	7	...	...	130	167 00	...	Mellenville, "
Unithrow.....	Charles J. Shepard.....	162	5	4	1	232	7	3	40	35	200	132 00	1,644 40	Livingston, "	
Upper Red Hook.....	John G. Johnson.....	60	2	1	...	84	4	1	...	...	50	65 00	517 00	Upper Red Hook, N. Y.
Germaniowa.....	Abraham H. Meyers.....	70	1	...	...	135	4	...	35	...	62	44 82	300 00	Germaniowa, "
Greenport.....	Vacant.....	85	...	...	...	102	6	...	16	...	90	50 00	685 00	Hudson, "
Taghsaie.....	William Lyall.....	80	1	3	1	100	7	...	...	...	...	38 56	...	Copake, "
Total.....	Total.....	897	29	28	3	1286	49	9	281	105	892	\$1,541 87	\$9,498 19		

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Horace W. Finch.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.	C. & M. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.						Total now in Com- munion.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-Schools—Average Number of Scholars.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Fur- poses.
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	Suspended.	Misd.	Infants.									Adults.
1st Tarrytown.....	A. T. Stewart.....	75	7	6	5	1	165	14	2	35	60	65	\$ 232 90	65	\$ 2,342 76	Tarrytown, Westchester Co., N. Y.
2d Tarrytown.....	J. A. Todd.....	94	8	9	12	1	192	9	2	30	80	85	1,592 05	85	2,114 48	"
Unionville.....	W. S. Moore, (S. C.)...	40	1	1	1	1	90	0	0	20	18	22	112 25	22	500 00	Nepean,
Greenburgh.....	W. S. Moore.....	40	1	1	2	1	28	0	0	10	15	30	25 85	30	300 00	"
Greenville.....	Vacant.....	42	0	0	0	0	59	0	0	20	10	30	60 00	30	600 00	Scarsdale,
Yonkers.....	V. M. Hubert.....	100	2	5	3	2	127	15	1	50	60	100	293 17	100	3,044 90	Yonkers,
Hastings.....	Vacant*.....	41	0	0	0	0	72	0	0	0	26	45	64 72	45	1,000 00	Hastings-upon-Hudson,
Fordham.....	James Bolton.....	40	5	3	8	0	55	4	0	50	40	40	68 15	40	1,382 29	Fordham, Westchester Co., N. Y.
Mount Vernon.....	Isaac M. See.....	38	8	5	5	1	83	3	2	101	45	65	60 00	65	1,450 00	Mount Vernon,
West Farms.....	P. Van Wyck.....	70	3	3	4	0	92	8	0	175	135	150	139 27	150	1,450 00	West Farms,
Bronxville.....	W. Roosevelt.....	50	1	5	0	0	66	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Pelham,
Melrose, (German).....	Vacant†.....	28	18	0	10	1	54	3	0	6	10	60	0	60	0	Morrisania,
New Rochelle, (Ger.)...	.....	668	52	37	50	1	5,1083	55	5	467	512	737	\$2,600 36	737	\$13,424 03	"
Total.....	.....	668	52	37	50	1	5,1083	55	5	467	512	737	\$2,600 36	737	\$13,424 03	"

* From report of last year.

† Rev. Jacob Dahlmann, Pastor elect.

Ministers without Charge—B. Van Keuren, 218 Ninth Street, N. Y.; Rev. Ernst Schreyer, Morrisania, C. R. V. Remondt, New Brunswick, N. J. Candidates—A. Watson, Sing Sing, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mena.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.		Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
First Freehold.....	Ralph Willis.....	90	6	5	5	3	3	144	4	3	60	50	100	\$170 00	\$1,258 00	Marlboro', N. J.	
Second Freehold.....	Erza W. Collier.....	90	10	8	8	4	4	182	12	1	69	50	80	354 00	2,719 00	Freehold, "	
Middletown.....	Wm. Bailey.....	90	5	2	2	1	1	137	7	3	10	10	70	280 00	1,000 00	Holmdel, "	
Spotswood.....	A. Van Dewater.....	40	3	3	3	1	1	75	6	...	30	15	75	42 00	350 00	Spotswood, "	
Middletown Village.....	A. C. Millepaugh, (S. C.).....	65	3	3	3	2	2	124	6	...	30	30	60	90 00	600 00	Middletown, "	
Keyport.....	Samuel Lockwood.....	43	4	3	1	2	2	88	...	...	25	25	35	.....	140 00	Keyport, "
Long Branch.....	James B. Wilson.....	44	3	1	1	2	2	51	2	2	16	21	45	67 00	749 00	Long Branch, "	
Coit's Neck.....	J. S. Wyckoff.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	69	2	...	30	20	60	80 00	1,150 00	Coit's Neck, "
Total.....	Total.....	532	29	13	22	14	14	810	40	9	240	191	516	\$1,023 00	\$7,966 00		

Minister without Charge.—Garret C. Schenck.

CLASSIS OF ARCOOT—SOUTHERN INDIA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Day.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dis- missed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Ref. Dutch Church, Vellore.....	Rev. H. M. Scudder, (absent.)....	54	...	3	1	...	34	6	...	16	
" " Chittoor.....	" W. W. Scudder.....	49	10	6	...	4	66	10	...	...	...	...	25.8.0	...
" " Arnee.....	" Joseph Mayou.....	9	2	2	...	...	13	2	...	12	...	...	274.13.0	...
" " Rahnepett....	" Andrew Sawyer.....	13	4	1	...	...	14	3	...	...	...	...	184.9.5	...
" " Palamanair ..	" E. C. Scudder, (S. C.).....	10	6	2	1	...	7	6	4	3	...	...	22.1.2	...
" " Coonoor.....	" Joseph Scudder, (absent.) ..	31	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	...	200.8.1	...
	Total.....	169	21	14	2	4	152	26	19	30	747.7.8	...	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. W. Scudder, in America; Rev. Jacob Chamberlain, in Palamanair.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	Religious and Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Church of Albany.....	E. P. Rogers.....	280	12	7	5	3	550	7	4	\$3,243 00	\$ 6,000 00	Albany.
2d do.	I. N. Wyckoff, (S. C.).....	185	12	3	23	13	549	23	3	2,916 00	6,650 00	do.
3d do.	J. W. Laremore.....	60	4	6	7	4	125	3	25	.....	.....	do.
4th do.	H. F. Schnellendrusseler.....	42	6	.....	.....	.....	38	5	42	127 22	180 64	do.
Dudley Church.....	A. Dickson.....	40	4	25	.....	.....	42	3	.....	19,300 00	do.	do.
Bethlehem.....	J. Simonsen.....	160	10	2	2	11	280	9	10	222 00	1,397 00	do.
2d do.	J. L. Pearce.....	85	.....	.....	.....	.....	120	3	50	173 00	2,400 00	do.
Union.....	A. V. Gulick.....	45	2	.....	.....	.....	36	1	12	27 00	234 00	do.
Jerusalem.....	A. V. Gulick.....	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	80	3	.....	60 00	234 00	do.
Coeymans.....	Isaac Collier.....	80	4	1	3	2	98	1	1	117 25	350 00	Coeymans.
New Baltimore.....	Robert G. Strong.....	78	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	2	43	133 19	1,218 00	New Baltimore.
Salem.....	A. G. Lansing.....	108	30	3	2	3	195	13	11	90 91	781 61	Salem.
Clarksville.....	Supplied by A. G. Lansing.	45	5	1	.....	.....	57	2	45	.....	438 00	Clarksville.
Westerlo.....	F. Dyer.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	Westerlo.
Onisquetaw.....	S. Van Sanford.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Holland Church.....	W. A. Hubolt.....	28	2	.....	.....	.....	1	61	61	.....	100 00	Albany.
2d Berne.....	.....	67	.....	.....	.....	.....	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	East Berne.
Total.....	.....	1043	100	40	55	44	2632	86	21	\$7,111 68	\$59,318 20	.....

Minist'rs without Charge.—J. Van Vechten. J. P. Pepper.

* Supplied by Rev. J. G. Cordell.

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CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath-Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
1st Schenectady.....	E. E. Seelye.....	290	2	13	1	3	404	4	.....	.....	.....	180	\$693 11	\$2,418 26	Schenectady.
2d Schenectady.....	Vacant.....	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	77	10	.....	.....	4	80	.....	539 90	Schenectady.
3d Schenectady.....	W. F. Schwill.....	51	10	14	1	1	119	38	2	6	25	44	81 00	589 62	Schenectady.
Amity.....	Vacant.....	84	9	1	.....	.....	138	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	100 00	500 00	Viascher's Ferry.
Niskayuna.....	J. A. De Baun.....	100	4	4	3	3	164	1	1	40	60	100	78 95	500 00	Niskayuna.
Lisbas Kill.....	J. A. De Baun.....	61	.....	3	.....	2	46	4	.....	20	40	110	101 90	400 00	Niskayuna.
1st Glenville.....	P. H. Burghart.....	180	3	1	1	1	234	3	.....	100	170	.....	252 00	800 00	Glenville.
2d Glenville.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Schenectady.
1st Rotterdam.....	J. Jukes.....	100	3	3	.....	.....	91	7	1	.....	.....	80	36 00	350 00	Hoffman's Ferry.
2d Rotterdam.....	R. L. Schoonmaker, (S.S.)	90	2	.....	.....	.....	85	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	45 00	560 00	Schenectady.
Heiderburgh.....	W. P. Davis.....	260	3	2	.....	3	290	20	.....	100	.....	280	125 00	960 00	Guilderland Centre.
Princeton.....	J. B. Hale, (S. S.)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dunnsville.
Pay.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Day.

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. R. L. Schoonmaker, Schenectady; J. G. Durye, Schenectady; D. B. Hall, Dannsville; J. H. Seelye, Amherst College; Abraham J. Swift, Stated Clerk, Schenectady.

CLASSIS OF RENSSSELAER.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.		Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Purposes.
Bloominggrove	Vacant	100	1	1	1	4	135	10	1	Adults.				50	\$100 00	\$2,000 00	Defreestville.
Castleton	E. P. Stimson	110	4	7	7	2	75	10	2	10	30	100	30	100	125 00	1,250 00	Castleton.
Chatham	C. S. Mead	60					64			2	20	15	20	60	60 00	800 00	Chatham 4 Corners.
1st Ghent	W. W. Lefson	120	2	3	1	1	119	10	1	1	50	60	50	60	556 00	814 00	Ghent.
2d Ghent	J. H. Van Woert																Hudson.
Greenbush	Vacant	200	8	6	7	1	303	2	1			100	100	115	1,175 00	1,700 00	Kinderhook.
Kinderhook	J. R. Barry	140	7	3	2	6	256	8	3		20	20	20	30	308 00	1,350 00	Nassau.
Nassau	B. H. Steele	63				1	58									164 48	East Chatham.
New Concord	Josiah Jansen	182	1			5	102	3				30	30		806 52	1,800 00	Schoelack Landing.
Schoelack	B. F. Snyder	110	1	5		3	105	8						85	170 38	1,091 58	Schoelack Landing.
Stuyvesant	E. Nevius	50	2				44							45			Stuyvesant.
Stuyvesant Falls	Vacant																Stuyvesant Falls.

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. E. Holmes, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Rev. E. D. Bates, Davenport, Iowa.

CLASSIS OF SOHOKARIE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath-Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.												
Schoharie.....	C. E. Crispell.....	91	1	...	...	1	1	141	1	...	31	49	55	\$242 62	\$1,314 46	Schoharie.
Middleburgh.....	E. Vedder, (S. C.).....	78	1	4	...	1	1	109	...	...	20	80	50	123 85	575 00	Middleburgh.
Schoharie, Mt.....	(S. S.).....	50	...	...	...	...	...	60	3	...	...	20	45	21 00	150 00	do.
Berne.....	E. Miller.....	60	7	6	6	...	...	67	1	...	...	...	50	74 73	580 75	Berne.
Beaver Dam.....	do.....	54	...	...	...	...	...	4	...	...	...	...	35	14 07	309 66	do.
Lawverville.....	H. A. Raymond.....	65	3	...	...	1	1	90	...	...	12	25	35	55 00	370 00	Lawverville.
Sharon.....	do.....	80	14	...	...	...	...	96	1	...	1	12	20	29 25	1,180 00	do.
Gilboa.....	Wm. G. E. See.....	94	1	2	3	...	...	138	...	...	...	10	175	51 92	750 00	Gilboa.
North Blenheim.....	T. L. Shaffer.....	42	8	1	...	...	...	49	...	...	6	17	43	52 00	350 00	North Blenheim.
Breakabin.....	do.....	25	4	...	...	1	1	33	1	...	...	12	45	5 41	150 00	do.
Gallupville.....	J. M. Compton.....	51	14	3	1	...	...	85	3	...	6	15	60	35 05	664 65	Gallupville.
Knox.....	do.....	28	47	4	...	...	...	72	2	19	...	22	...	26 25	214 00	do.
Coblekill.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Enlisen.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

Ministers without Charge.—J. M. Scribner, Middleburgh; Rev. W. A. Benedict, Plainfield, Connecticut; Rev. Elihu Doty, Missionary to China.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.												
Aurlesville.....	Vacant.....	100	..	..	..	..	..	2	129	..	..	..	..	..	..	Aurlesville.
Canajoharie..	B. F. Romaine.....	100	10	4	3	1	2	103	12	3	120	50	829 50	\$1,200 00	..	Canajoharie.
Coughawaga..	P. Forbeck.....	150	10	4	3	1	2	103	12	3	120	100	135 00	..	..	Fonda.
Columbia.....	H. Aurand.....	75	11	1	2	1	1	60	2	5	..	..	75 67	..	..	Columbia.
Carrytown.....	J. J. Quick.....	100	11	1	2	..	..	95	..	..	..	..	87 70	..	..	Root.
Mapletown.....	Vacant.....	120	9	..	..	..	..	45	16	..	..	15	..	..	..	Ephrata.
Ephrata.....	Vacant.....	86	..	..	..	..	..	137	..	..	..	..	62 00	..	..	Minerva.
Florida.....	J. G. Hall.....	90	2	2	..	..	3	97	7	1	40	20	85 00	1,000 00	..	Fort Plain.
Fort Plain.....	Vacant.....	90	2	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Fort Plain.
Fort Herkimer.....	R. Wells.....	95	5	..	1	..	2	40	..	2	..	..	65 00	900 00	..	Fultonville.
Fultonville.....	A. H. Van Vranken.....	98	6	..	1	..	1	45	4	5	..	..	78 85	900 00	..	Glen.
Glen.....	E. Slingerland.....	100	5	2	1	1	2	124	6	5	..	43	150 00	800 00	..	Hagaman's Mills.
Hagaman's Mills.....	D. Lord.....	50	4	3	1	1	1	73	1	2	40	60	62 79	..	..	Mohawk.
Henderson.....	H. B. Gardner.....	50	4	3	1	..	..	60	..	2	20	..	60 00	1,000 00	..	Herkimer.
Herkimer.....	Vacant.....	170	4	4	..	..	6	114	6	..	85	20	109 00	2,705 00	..	Manheim Centre.
Manheim.....	C. D. Nott.....	56	..	..	..	..	..	41	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Mohawk.
Mohawk.....	J. G. Duryee, (S. S.).....	57	10	8	..	..	1	67	3	3	..	12	31 82	646 90	..	Port Jackson.
Port Jackson.....	L. H. Van Dyke.....	100	..	..	..	..	1	102	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Palatine Bridge.
Stone Arabia.....	J. Kniskern, (S. C.).....	105	1	..	1	..	..	154	3	1	..	20	115 00	725 00	..	St. Johnsville.
St. Johnsville.....	E. V. Wales.....	68	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Spraker's Basin.
Spraker's Basin.....	Vacant.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Danube, Her. Co.
Indian Castle.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Missioners without Charge.—Rev. J. Clancy, Schenectady, N. Y.; Rev. N. Bogardus, Woodville, Jefferson County, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF CAYUGA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census, Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
Canastota	John Garretson, (S. C.)	40	1	2	2	2	3	85	3	1	22	30	60	\$ 33 00	\$7 00 00	Auburn, N. Y.
Chittenango	James R. Talmage	100	2	7	7	2	3	80	3	1	282	50	200	143 00	.....	Chittenango, N. Y.
Cleero	Vacant*	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cleero.
Lyander	Vacant*	33	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Lyander.
Naumburg	Charles Becker	92	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	4	3	14	20	40	5 00	168 48	Naumburg,
New Bremen	Charles Becker	92	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	56	3	.....	14	.....	.....	2 00	33 00	New Bremen,
Owasco	Wilson Ingalls	105	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	147	2	8	.....	85	110	197 18	725 00	Owasco,
Owasco Outlet	Vacant† .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	97	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	Auburn,
Syracuse	T. De Witt Talmage	120	13	11	4	2	2	120	5	7	125	8	125	281 18	4,300 00	Syracuse,
Thousand Isles	George Rockwell	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	22	2	.....	.....	20	70	14 00	200 00	Alexandria,
Utica	Charles E. Knox†	80	2	2	5	1	1	125	.....	1	.....	14	160	485 00	.....	Utica,
West Leyden	John Boehrer†	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	53	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Leyden,
Total	Total	635	63	22	22	11	6	898	22	17	457	233	925	\$1,160 35	\$6,125 48	.....

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Geo. H. Flaher, D.D., W. J. Bradford. *Missionaries to Japan*.—Rev. S. R. Brown, G. F. Verbeck.

* Report of 1858.

† Report of 1860.

‡ Candidates and Pastor elect.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number in Bible Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Berea.....	J. B. Ten Eyck.....	70	3	3	1	1	1	67	5	7	60	80	\$110 00	\$585 00	St. Andrews, Orange Co., N. Y.	
Bloomington.....	J. Searle, Jr.....	110	20	8	8	36	36	166	6	7	60	80	164 00	.....	Bloomington, " "
Buckbrook.....	Vacant.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	85	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	North Branch, Sullivan Co., " "
Mineville.....	H. Morris.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	4	.....	12	70	22 00	.....	Fremont, " "
Cuddebackville.....	S. W. Mills.....	110	1	7	1	1	1	118	4	2	75	20	644 00	.....	Cuddebackville, Orange Co., " "
Deerpark.....	E. W. Bentley.....	120	4	5	1	3	1	155	4	1	75	20	221 00	.....	Port Jervis, " "
Ellenville.....	J. P. Phister.....	150	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	7	.....	4	8	11 25	2,557 96	Ellenville, Ulster Co., " "
do. 2d.....	J. Searle.....	100	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	163	5	1	50	45	331 60	.....	Woodbourne, Sullivan Co., " "
Fallburgh.....	D. A. Jones.....	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	17	.....	.....	10	25	63 80	308 00	Grahamville, " "
Grahamville.....	F. W. A. Reidel.....	35	16	1	1	1	1	75	41	1	8	10	28 55	160 75	Claryville, " "	
Upper Neversink.....	J. Dubois.....	87	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	88	1	80	24	8	.....	488 08	Jeffersonville, " "
Jeffersonville.....	Vacant.....	100	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	88	3	2	10	.....	.....	250 00	Callicoon, " "
Thamansville.....	C. Gates.....	100	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	88	3	2	10	.....	.....	624 00	Wurtsborough, " "
Mamakating.....	A. B. Van Zandt.....	27	1	2	.....	.....	.....	3	2	1	12	16	.....	375 00	Kerkhousen, Ulster Co., N. Y.
Minisink.....	G. H. Mandeville.....	175	11	4	2	6	302	10	2	175	150	60	508 50	1,400 00	Montague, Sussex Co., N. J.	
Newburgh.....	L. L. Confort.....	113	9	18	3	1	189	9	2	40	60	130	356 84	3,580 60	Newburgh, " "	
New Hurley.....	Wm. Hamilton.....	175	3	4	1	4	133	9	2	130	70	256	396 29	900 00	New Hurley, Ulster Co., " "	
New Prospect.....	C. Scott (S. C.).....	125	8	4	1	3	190	11	1	48	52	187	555 52	1,104 00	Usterville, " "	
Shawangunk.....	M. V. Schoonmaker.....	215	9	4	6	1	7	278	11	2	100	125	250 55	1,050 00	Arnynewick, " "	
Walden.....	Vacant.....	95	3	2	3	3	1	203	5	1	100	80	250 00	850 00	Walden, Orange Co., " "	
Walpack.....	N. D. Williamson.....	129	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	6	.....	100	90	25 00	1,300 00	Delaware, Pike Co., Pa.
Wawarsing.....	.....	125	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	5	1	56	60	130 00	900 00	Napanoch, Ulster Co., " "
Total.....	.....	2150	146	68	49	7	45	2880	174	29	941	800	\$3,803 83	\$18,779 39	.....

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. Boyd, Newburgh, N. Y.; W. S. Hoyer, Newburgh, N. Y.; R. Pitts, Delaware, Pa.; N. W. Jones, Kerhoeken, N. Y.
 † Alexander McWilliams, Pastor elect.
 • Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Boys.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-School.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
1st Church of Athens.....	C. Spaulding	70	1	4	...	1	105	...	...	...	...	40	\$82 73	\$800 00	Athens.
24 do.	do.	30	...	...	...	1	45	...	...	...	...	30	10 63	311 00	do.
Catskill.....	J. A. Lansing	220	3	6	5	2	387	20	2	250	75	315	459 83	1,239 00	Catskill.
1st Church, Coxsackie.....	S. P. M. Hastings.....	187	6	3	4	5	312	7	3	25	25	100	308 00	1,606 73	Coxsackie.
24 do.	F. N. Zaberkie.....	125	60	6	6	2	186	15	28	110	100	150	607 16	1,513 38	do.
Kidatom.....	C. Rockwell	100	2	1	6	...	146	8	1	80	30	70	115 18	764 24	Kidatom.
Leeds.....	S. F. Searle, (S. C.).....	85	1	1	12	...	125	2	1	30	20	90	147 00	1,750 00	Leeds.
Moresville and S. Gilboa...	W. D. Bucklew.....	45	6	2	2	1	80	...	...	...	...	70	8 00	500 00	Moresville, Del. Co.
Prattville.....	A. F. Gilbert.....	63	27	...	...	1	77	...	9	...	...	80	139 00	...	Prattville.
Roxbury.....	W. E. Turner.....	60	1	...	...	...	81	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	Roxbury, Del. Co.

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Wm. Johns, Hensonsville, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF GENEVA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Subsidiary Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		NET OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			On Confession.	Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.		Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.
				On Certificate.	On Certificate.												
Lodi.....	G. J. Van Neste, (S. C.)	142	6	4	3	...	224	7	2	60	50	200	\$348 06	\$801 45	Lodi.		
Farmer.....	B. Baedler	100	...	2	...	2	135	12	...	...	...	110	280 36	1,617 65	Farmer.
Geneva.....	C. Wiley	101	8	19	8	...	186	12	...	75	140	100	653 00	1,770 00	Geneva.		
Ithaca.....	J. W. Schenck	106	1	1	...	4	152	1	1	40	60	75	317 85	3,200 73	Ithaca.		
Arcadia*.....	Vacant.....	11	...	...	...	...	21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Arcadia.
Tyre.....	J. R. Van Arsdale	60	3	...	2	1	78	...	1	14	25	90	23 00	350 00	Waterloo.		
Carolina.....	J. Whitbeck	45	...	...	...	...	148	5	...	20	15	30	36 00	350 00	Waterloo.
Wolcott.....	A. G. Morse, (S. S.)	40	3	3	...	1	52	...	...	...	...	...	6 00	375 00	Fair Haven.
Waterloo*.....	Vacant	30	6	3	...	...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Waterloo.
Buffalo.....	Vacant	30	...	8	...	1	38	9	...	15	10	...	...	...	Buffalo.
Pultneyville.....	A. K. Kase	95	...	44	...	...	65	12	...	30	15	50	10 00	169 49	East Williamson.
Rochester.....	W. C. Wast	131	6	17	7	1	318	46	...	140	...	...	131 40	1,467 49	Rochester, Box 2304.
Clymer.....	J. W. Dunnewold	50	4	...	2	1	92	16	...	60	30	70	7 00	330 00	Clymer.		
Cato.....	Vacant	27	...	...	...	...	27	...	...	...	...	...	...	55 50	Cato.
Mina Corners.....	J. W. Dunnewold	23	6	...	...	...	45	1	...	22	13	28	6 00	120 00	Mina Corners.
Athens.....	A. F. Todd	45	2	3	1	...	92	4	...	...	...	55	132 42	570 00	Athens, Pa.

Ministers without Charge.—J. Abell and J. L. See, Emeriti; Reva. J. Battie, Lockport, and R. W. Knight, Pultzevville.

• Report of last year.

† Corrected.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Piblical Instruction.	Sabath-schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Bloomington	J. R. Lente	65	3	...	...	...	98	4	1	...	...	\$45 64	\$319 67	Creek Locks.
Clove	J. N. Voorhis	150	6	2	...	...	105	3	1	20	30	102 30	620 00	High Falls.
Dashville Falls	Vacant	...	...	...	...	...	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	Perrine's Bridge.
Guilford	J. N. Jansen	100	4	...	...	...	97	5	1	25	20	190 50	1,607 53	Tutthill.
Hurley	B. C. Lippincott, (S. C.)	70	...	4	...	...	123	4	...	...	...	284 11	450 00	Hurley.
2d Church, Kingston	J. A. Collier	90	6	13	6	1	134	7	2	75	85	397 80	3,650 00	Kingston.	
Marbletown	J. L. McNair	170	15	...	...	...	208	15	3	8	40	455 87	1,000 00	Stone Ridge.
New Falls	C. H. Stitt	220	11	1	10	6	333	18	3	310	206	725 67	1,350 00	New Falls.	
N. Marbletown	B. C. Lippincott, (S. S.)	90	5	0	...	...	90	5	2	...	...	29 00	478 51	Hurley.
Rochester	C. Wyckoff	150	...	6	...	...	189	6	...	20	15	...	2,500 00	Accord.
Rosendale	J. R. Lente	66	2	...	...	...	62	6	...	...	...	43 60	347 52	Rosendale.
Samsonville	J. Markie	30	3	...	...	...	48	1	1	...	...	16 28	140 00	Samsonville.

Ministers without Charge.—A. Du Bois, Brooklyn; W. A. Shaw, John Van Vleet, Kingston; E. Dupuy, Kyserike. Emeritus, S. Harlow, Shokan.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		PORT OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath-School—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
West Troy ..	O. H. Gregory ..	115	6	6	...	4	328	3	1	...	30	85	\$48 10	\$1,600 00	West Troy.
South W. Troy ..	G. L. Roof ..	88	6	1	...	...	129	2	2	...	...	120	192 28	1,000 34	do.
Wynantskill ..	J. Stevenson ..	36	3	...	...	2	55	...	...	20	12	35	75 00	600 00	Wynantskill.
Boght ..	J. W. Major ..	50	2	3	...	...	70	1	1	...	15	30	30 00	600 00	Cohoes.
Waterford ..	G. Van Brunt ..	70	1	...	...	...	112	...	1	...	...	70	20 00	400 00	Waterford.
Cohoes ..	J. N. Waldron, (S. C.)	125	10	12	3	1	207	18	3	50	25	140	514 54	4,400 00	Cohoes.
Rensselaer ..	J. H. Bavier ..	40	...	5	...	...	47	1	...	30	30	40	...	400 00	West Troy.
Union Village ..	John Steele ..	80	7	5	1	1	201	1	1	1	30	50	403 90	1,000 00	Greenwich.
Saratoga ..	Vacant ..	90	2	...	...	...	130	...	...	25	20	20	100 00	1,000 00	Schenyerville.
Tioga ..	Vacant ..	43	1	4	...	...	85	...	1	...	8	25	...	...	Buskirk's Bridge.
Easton ..	Vacant ..	40	5	...	...	...	53	3	3	30	40	60	50 00	325 00	North Easton.
Schaghticoke ..	Vacant ..	40	...	...	...	...	57	...	...	...	...	...	25 00	370 00	Schaghticoke.
Northumberland ..	J. McCartney ..	70	...	...	...	...	116	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Northumberland.
Gansevort ..	do. ..	30	...	...	...	...	39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jackson ..	Vacant ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort Miller ..	Vacant ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

* Supplied by A. G. Cochran.

† Supplied by R. Van Brunt.

Ministers without Charge.—John Smith, Troy; C. Van Santvoord, Schenectady; H. Slauson, Whitehall.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath-Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Tied.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Consecrational Purposes.	
Fairview	J. S. Jorlmon, (S.C.)	141	10	7	4	2	195	20	1	81	111	172	\$510 80	\$1,815 00	Fairview, Fulton Co., Ill.
Pekin	Vacant	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	.....	.....	Pekin, Tazewell Co., Ill.
Vanderweir	S. B. Ayres	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Pleas't Plains, Sangamon Co., Ill.
Burlington	J. Muller	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	7	.....	.....	.....	30	19 26	2,138 00	Burlington, Iowa.
Silver Creek	Vacant	120	18	.....	1	1	91	16	36	42	85	80	225 00	.....	Freeport, Ill.
Spring Lake	S. A. Bumstead	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	3	20	30	30	15 00	68 00	.....	Pekin, Tazewell Co., Ill.
Raritan	Vacant	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	62	9	1	12	.....	123	75 00	.....	Raritan, Henderson Co., Ill.
Bushnell	E. P. Livingston	40	1	2	1	2	47	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	Bushnell, McDonough Co., Ill.
Keokuk	J. Eady	20	5	.....	.....	.....	19	3	.....	.....	16	60	.....	400 00	Keokuk, Iowa.
Quincy	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Quincy, Ill.
Davenport	C. G. Van Derveer	26	1	6	.....	.....	30	2	.....	.....	7	60	.....	950 00	Davenport, Iowa.
Total		493	38	20	6	5	560	62	2	149	206	623	\$848 75	\$5,371 00	

Ministers without Charge.—Revs. A. D. Wilson, Fairview, Fulton Co., Ill.; J. F. Morris, Bushnell, McDonough Co., Ill.; A. Lloyd, New York City; C. D. Ettinge, Raritan, Henderson Co., Ill.; J. M. Wagner, Freeport, Ill.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Battle Creek.....	H. J. Brown.....	20	..	3	..	..	44	6	1	20	50	40	\$40 00	\$550 00	Battle Creek, Mich.
Centreville.....	J. H. Kershaw.....	40	..	..	1	1	65	1	3	25	40	110	25 00	500 00	Centreville, "
Constantine.....	Wm. Bailey, (S. C.)..	45	..	2	1	..	39	1	..	..	..	30	10 00	150 00	Constantine, "
Mottville.....	Wm. Bailey, ".....	30	..	1	..	..	14	..	..	..	..	41	6 00	50 00	Constantine, "
Porter.....	Wm. Bailey, ".....	15	..	..	..	..	45	5	..	..	..	60	20 00	100 00	Macon, Lenawee Co., Mich.
Macon.....	H. Heermance.....	32	..	3	..	..	12	..	1	..	15	50	15 50	400 00	Grand Rapids, "
Grand Rapids.....	P. Berry.....	7	..	6	..	1	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Sparta, Hillsdale Co., "
Jefferson and Pittsford.....	Vacant.....	40	..	..	..	..	22	..	..	..	30	91	..	150 00	South Bend, Indiana.
South Bend.....	G. H. Peeke.....	13	5	4	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ridgeway.....	Vacant.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total.....		252	24	17	5	3	326	13	5	45	135	422	\$115 50	\$1,960 00	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. G. Tarbell, Alamo, Mich.; J. H. Stenfold, New York; Wm. T. Van Doren, South Bend, Ind.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.							Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.			
Drenthe	Vacant	30						62	5	24		\$50 00	\$50 00	Zeeland, Ottawa Co., Mich.		
Grasfchap	Vacant	19	2	1			1	35	5	22		49 00	37 86	Flintore, Allegany Co., "		
Grand Haven	Vacant	90	7	8	3	3	3	198	35	65	80	485 00	345 00	Grand Haven, Ott wa Co., Mich.		
Grand Rapids	C. Van der Muelen.	"	11		12	1	4	70	29	100		150 00	800 00	Grand Rapids, Kent Co., "		
Grandville	Vacant													Grandville, Kent Co., "		
Holland	A. C. Van Raalte	156	19	21	15		2	346	49	140	150	950 38	1,400 00	Holland, Ottawa Co., "		
Kalamazoo	H. G. Klyn													Kalamazoo, "		
Muskegon	Vacant	19	8	3			7	25	7	1	15			Muskegon, "		
North Holland	Vacant	14						24		10		15 13	168 48	Holland, Ottawa Co., "		
Noordeloos	Vacant	22	3	2		3	3	30	3	16		9 08	9 82	"		
Overijssel	G. J. Nijkerk	74	3	2	10	4	1	105	17	90		259 66	276 08	Overijssel, Allegany Co., "		
Pella	P. J. Ogdel	224	50	4		2	2	319	130	150	200	976 21	4,000 00	Pella, Marion Co., "		
Polkton	Vacant	93						94	5	15		15 00	22 00	Eastmanville, Ottawa Co., "		
Vriesland	A. Zwemer, (S. C.)	79	5	10				150	20	80		388 00	532 00	Zeeland, Ottawa Co., "		
Zeeland	H. Stobbelaar	180	6	3	1	3		228	34	220		350 40	1,200 00	"		
Total		930	113	65	33	7	23	1721	922	1	339	\$4,167 86	\$9,040 94			

Ministers without Charge.—Revs. Philip Phelps, Principal of Holland Academy, and Missionary Preacher; G. Van de Wall, Instr. in Academy, and Missionary Preacher, Holland, Ottawa Co., Mich.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Communicants.										Bap.	C. & B. C.		Sabbath-Schools—Average	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com-munion.	Infants.		Adults.	Number of Catechu-mens.		Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Benev-olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur-poses.		
		On Confession.	On Certificate.															
Franklin.....	Vacant.....	23	0	4	2	1	50	16	...	39	...	...	\$60 37	\$11 00	Franklin, Milwaukee Co., Wis.	
Alto.....	Vacant.....	66	0	5	...	...	102	16	...	60	...	...	86 57	126 74	Alto, " "
Sheboygan Falls.....	Vacant.....	8	1	...	...	...	18	...	...	9	...	...	25 00	249 46	Sheboygan Falls, " "
Holland.....	Vacant.....	40	4	2	...	...	117	18	...	58	...	30	124 16	267 99	Holland, Cedar Grove P.O., " "	
Coastburg.....	K. Van der Schuur.....	80	2	...	...	...	191	18	...	58	...	...	20 87	39 25	Coastburg, " "
Gibbsville.....	Vacant.....	29	4	2	3	4	69	...	...	22	...	50	280 47	461 66	Gibbsville, Sheboygan Co., " "	
Bethlehem.....	Vacant.....	21	2	3	...	...	48	9	...	37	...	175	217 14	508 95	Bethlehem, Milwaukee P.O., " "	
Milwaukee.....	S. Bolka.....	98	9	3	16	1	80	22	...	66	...	40	140 02	318 52	Milwaukee, Box 416, " "			
1st Church Chicago.....	Vacant.....	60	9	4	2	1	80	22	...	75	...	40	196 79	491 92	Chicago, Ill. " "			
2d Church Chicago.....	J. M. Ferris, (S. C.).....	18	1	...	...	...	91	19	...	51	...	...	...	...	Box 1023, Ill. " "
High Prairie.....	M. A. Ypma.....	44	...	2	3	...	19	1	...	50	...	...	...	...	Thornton, Cook Co., Ill. " "
Low Prairie.....	M. A. Ypma.....	89	9	...	...	...	166	25	...	50	...	...	...	...	" " " "
Eden.....	J. Davenport.....	...	...	...	...	...	161	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Foster, Fond du Lac Co., Wis.
Total.....	Total.....	595	49	30	41	10	1171	151	...	317	...	315	\$1,209 94	\$2,075 40				

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REFORMED PROT. DUTCH CHURCH, FOR THE YEAR 1861.

CLASSES.	Churches.	Minist'rs.	Candidates.	No. of Fam- ilies.	Received.		Now in Com- munion.	Baptized.		Number of Catechumens.	No. in Biblical Instruction.	Total No. of Scholars.	Contributions.		STATED CLERKS.
					On Con- fession.	On Cer- tifica- tion.		Infants.	Adults.				Religious Purposes. & Benevolent.	Congrega- tional Pur- poses.	
Classis of New York.....	18	17	1	2928	295	203	4407	264	30	1721	605	3554	\$54,704 57	\$23,953 69	Rev. N. J. Marcelus.
South Classis of New York.....	15	19	1	308	121	68	1716	199	26	1062	442	1677	4,192 36	13,963 98	Rev. S. H. Meeker.
Classis of New Brunswick.....	10	14	2	748	45	56	1787	103	10	572	328	960	5,079 18	17,373 97	Rev. David F. Meek.
Classis of Hartford.....	12	14	2	1826	83	80	2122	139	11	497	359	....	1,904 88	1,460 00	Rev. John F. Meek.
Classis of Bergen.....	25	32	2	2116	247	175	3153	588	20	1727	1570	2803	13,792 30	36,230 22	Rev. Alexander H. Warner.
Classis of Passaic.....	10	10	1	966	25	16	1172	63	3	875	428	1240	1,420 84	4,545 60	Rev. John A. Staats.
Classis of Paramus.....	15	16	1	1501	65	64	1942	149	15	1057	322	1275	4,602 35	10,209 99	Rev. J. Paschal Strong.
North Classis of Long Island.....	14	19	1	1239	95	98	1644	95	29	985	1008	2597	6,197 03	44,266 22	Rev. John McC. Holmes.
South Classis of Long Island.....	15	19	1	1486	184	174	2431	172	33	1231	1004	2290	10,527 14	34,066 72	Rev. Jacob West.
Classis of Philadelphia.....	11	12	1	820	56	42	1659	37	6	363	375	825	3,802 50	13,000 00	Rev. Charles S. Hageman.
Classis of Poughkeepsie.....	11	13	1	719	49	30	1402	77	6	280	318	1546	3,631 87	9,025 00	Rev. T. B. Romeyn.
Classis of Hudson.....	8	8	1	807	29	26	1266	49	9	281	105	892	1,541 87	9,498 19	Rev. David D. Demarest.
Classis of Westchester.....	13	11	1	658	62	57	1083	56	5	467	612	737	2,600 36	13,424 03	Rev. William S. Moore.
Classis of Monmouth.....	8	9	1	632	29	13	810	40	9	240	191	516	1,023 00	7,966 00	Rev. A. C. Millsaugh.
Classis of Arcot.....	6	8	1	165	21	21	1242	26	10	30	....	....	373 80	....	Rev. E. C. Scudder, D.D.
Classis of Albany.....	17	18	1	1443	166	40	2404	85	10	617	593	1368	7,131 00	34,362 64	Rev. I. N. Wyckoff, D.D.
Classis of Schenectady.....	13	11	1	1289	36	10	1638	89	4	306	299	814	1,512 96	7,637 78	Rev. Abraham J. Swia.
Classis of Rensselaer.....	13	11	1	1136	29	27	1321	61	8	40	195	735	3,299 90	10,970 06	Rev. Elbert Nevius.
Classis of Schoharie.....	14	10	1	698	100	20	940	19	34	90	324	693	730 90	6,868 52	Rev. Edwin Vedder.
Classis of Ulster.....	12	13	1	1287	75	31	1759	85	10	376	318	823	2,804 30	10,515 05	Rev. N. F. Chapman.
Classis of Montgomery.....	22	17	1	1670	85	27	2586	59	25	305	240	946	1,147 43	10,559 90	Rev. J. Kniskern.
Classis of Cayuga.....	22	17	1	635	63	22	898	22	17	457	223	245	1,131 27	6,126 48	Rev. John Garrison, D.D.
Classis of Oneida.....	24	22	2	2250	164	70	2025	170	29	1068	830	2468	4,215 45	18,179 39	Rev. Charles Scott.
Classis of Greene.....	10	10	1	975	103	26	1514	55	44	470	285	935	1,868 23	8,354 35	Rev. Samuel T. Seagle.
Classis of Genesee.....	16	14	1	968	43	52	1608	106	4	476	373	829	1,951 09	11,257 29	Rev. George J. Van Neste.
Classis of Kingston.....	12	15	1	1207	55	37	1560	79	14	560	416	1124	2,290 77	12,463 28	Rev. Knj. C. Lippincott.
Classis of Saratoga.....	16	12	1	917	40	37	1620	29	14	185	180	675	1,918 82	11,501 24	Rev. Charles N. Waldron.
Classis of Ulster.....	11	7	1	493	38	20	560	62	2	149	296	623	848 75	5,371 00	Rev. J. S. Joramdon.
Classis of Michigan.....	10	6	1	252	24	17	326	13	5	45	135	422	115 60	1,360 00	Rev. A. Zwerner.
Classis of Holland.....	15	7	1	660	113	65	1721	922	1	339	....	445	4,167 86	9,040 94	Rev. Wm. Bailey.
Classis of Wisconsin.....	13	5	1	595	49	30	1171	151	....	517	....	315	1,209 94	2,675 49	Rev. J. M. Ferris.
Total.....	422	411	7	33,564	2519	1632	50296	4060	470	10977	12318	35422	\$151,738 20	\$382,506 22	

ARTICLE VII.

SYNODICAL REFERENCES.

The Committee on Synodical Minutes reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Synodical Minutes report: That upon a careful examination of the Minutes of the last General Synod, and of the Particular Synods of New York, Albany, and Chicago, they find on page 4 of the Minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago the following: "We have received a reference from the Classis of Wisconsin, asking information, whether a Church member under sentence of suspension in the first degree, can answer for his child, when presented for baptism?"

Also, on page 6 of the Minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago we find the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Domestic Missions be hereby empowered to appoint a suitable person for the purposes above mentioned, namely: "A missionary agent for the West; as no such itinerant agent has as yet been appointed: therefore,

Resolved, That in the judgment of this Synod, it is eminently desirable that such an appointment be made; that we respectfully solicit the appointment of a suitable person clothed with the necessary powers for the purposes and objects specified; and that we engage to do what we can towards his support."

CHAS. M. JAMESON.

Resolved, That so much of the above report as relates to a reference from the Classis of Wisconsin be referred to the Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business.

Resolved, That so much as relates to the appointment of a missionary agent for the West be referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

A communication was received from the President of the Particular Synod of New York, transmitting the appeal, and reasons of appeal, of Rev. R. Ormiston Currie, D.D., from the decision of that Synod upon his complaint against the South Classis of Long Island. Said appeal, with the reasons for the same, was read and referred to the Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business.

The Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Overtures respectfully report: That there has been placed in their hands an appeal of the Rev. R. O. Currie, D.D., from the decision of the Particular Synod of New York, refusing to sustain his complaint of the action of the South Classis of Long Island, in ordaining to the Gospel ministry Mr. Robert G. Strong.

The appeal appears to your Committee to be in order, the course

prescribed by the Constitution having been duly followed. And they therefore respectfully recommend that the ordinary course pursued in the trial of appeals be followed.

They also present for the consideration of the General Synod the following overture from the Classis of Philadelphia:

Can the Consistory of a vacant church invite a neighboring minister of the same Classis to preside over their meeting, when convened to exercise discipline upon a member of the Church?

And a reference from the Particular Synod of Chicago, asking information, whether a Church member under sentence of suspension in the first degree can answer for his child, when presented for baptism?

The Committee, in view of these references, respectfully report:

That the General Synod, at its session in 1824, (see Minutes, p. 46,) expressed as their decided opinion, that it is wholly inexpedient for the Synod to legislate upon abstract questions. This opinion being as applicable to the question now presented as to the case which originated it, your Committee recommend it to the careful attention of the Classis of Philadelphia and the Particular Synod of Chicago.

Respectfully submitted.

FRANCIS M. KIP, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE VIII.

SYNODICAL APPEALS.

Synod took up the appeal of Rev. R. Ormiston Currie, D.D., against the Particular Synod of New York.

Rev. Goyu Talmage, and Rev. David H. Riddle, D.D., were recognized as Commissioners from the Particular Synod of New York, to defend their proceedings.

The President announced that the Synod was about to pass to the consideration of judicial business.

Synod considered the appeal in the following order:

1. The appeal and reasons of appeal were read.
2. The documents in the case were read.
3. The appellant was heard in behalf of his appeal.
4. The South Classis of Long Island was heard by their Commissioner, Rev. John M. Van Buren.
5. The Particular Synod of New York was heard by their Commissioners, Rev. David H. Riddle, D.D., and Goyu Talmage.
6. The appellant was heard in reply.

The parties having withdrawn, the roll was called, and the opinion of the members expressed; when the following motion was made and seconded:

Resolved, That this Synod, regarding it as the policy of the Reformed Dutch Church never to ordain any one as a mere evangelist, do sustain the appeal of Rev. R. Ormiston Currie, D.D., so far as it relates to the infraction of the Constitution.

The question being taken upon this resolution, it was decided in the affirmative.

**Resolved unanimously*, That by this action the General Synod does not intend to impeach the validity of the ordination of the candidate.

ARTICLE IX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

The Committee to whom was referred the Reports of the several Classes in relation to their action on the proposed amendment of Section 1st, Article 4th, Chapter 2d of the Constitution, reported, and their report was adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee to whom were referred the decisions of the Classes on the proposed amendment to the Constitution, Sec. 1st, Art. 4th, Chap. 2d, beg leave to report, that they find that the Classes of New York, Bergen, Paramus, South Classis of L. I., North Classis of L. I., Poughkeepsie, Hudson, Westchester, Monmouth, Raritan, Ulster, Schoharie, Michigan, Geneva, Kingston, Holland, and Greene, 17, have adopted the amendment, while the Classes of Rensselaer, New Brunswick, and South Classis of New York, have not adopted the amendment.

Your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That since a majority of the Classes have adopted the proposed amendment to the Constitution, Sec. 1st, Art. 4th, Chap. 2d, such amendment be adopted by this Synod.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. S. LORD, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE X.

DOCTRINES AND MORALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XI.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XII.

SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Twenty-first Annual Report of the Board of Sabbath-school Union was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Treasurer's Report of the Board of Sabbath-school Union was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Board of Education was received and read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Treasurer's Report of the Board of Education was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Committee on Education presented their Report, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

Report of the Committee on Education.

From the documents submitted, your Committee present the following statement, as claiming the special attention of Synod:

The Board of Education, in their Twenty-ninth Annual Report, mention with regret the resignation of their efficient Secretary, the Rev. Dr. Cornell, who has been constrained to relinquish his position. They represent the appointment of a successor as urgent, and request the Synod to obtain the services of a qualified agent at the earliest day.

The number of students under the care of the Board during the year has been 89: of these, 17 have been received since the last meeting of Synod; from various causes, six of the entire number have been removed from the list of beneficiaries; and of the remaining 83 students, 34 have been in the Theological Seminary; 35 in Rutgers College; 6 in the Holland Academy, and the rest either in the Preparatory Department, New Brunswick, or in other institutions. The general rule of the Board requires its beneficiaries to pursue their studies in the schools of the Church, but, for good reasons, exceptions have been allowed.

The Holland Academy.

This Institution is in a flourishing condition. The number of students in attendance, as per last report, was 37. Four of these have entered the Sophomore Class of Rutgers College; one is at present engaged in preaching; one is incapacitated by illness from prosecuting his studies; one has been dismissed; and one has been removed by death. Thirteen new pupils have entered the Academy, making the present number *forty-two*. Of this number, twenty-two are members of the Church, of whom seventeen have the ministry of the Gospel in view. The attention to study, and the general deportment of the students, are represented as highly commendable.

The material interests of the Institution have involved a large amount of care and anxiety upon the Principal, but he has successfully administered his trust in this important department, in addition to his arduous

duties as an instructor in the Academy. Additions to the scientific apparatus of the Institution have been made during the past year, \$300 having been expended for this purpose; a new building has been erected for the accommodation of the students, and though it is not entirely finished, no debt rests on the property.

Your Committee regard the entire report as highly satisfactory and encouraging, and commend the Holland Academy to the Christian confidence and sympathy of the entire Church.

Parochial Schools.

Fourteen Parochial Schools were receiving aid from the funds devoted to this purpose, according to the last report to the General Synod, but during the past year aid has been granted to only ten. The statements received from these schools as to their condition and progress are generally encouraging. The subject is one which is eminently deserving of the attention of the Church, and if the result of efforts in this direction should secure the establishment of academies or schools of a higher grade within the bounds of the several Classes, it would be a desirable consummation.

Funds.

The Board of Education is compelled reluctantly to acknowledge that its operations are seriously embarrassed for want of the funds indispensable to the successful prosecution of their work. The serious illness of their Secretary has compelled him to forego to a great extent the customary visitation of the Churches, and it is believed that to this cause mainly the deficit is attributable.

The total amount of contributions from Churches and individuals for Educational purposes during the current year is \$9,333 38. This is \$422 21 less than the receipts of last year, and \$4,704 91 less than the amount received in the year next preceding, whilst the number of beneficiaries on the list is equal to that of the previous year. In view of these facts, the Board has been constrained to decline all further applications for aid until the Treasury shall have been relieved. A resolution to this effect was adopted on the 3d of April last, and since that period the Board has been constrained to adhere to this purpose. They deeply deplore the necessity, and earnestly commend the entire subject to the prayerful consideration of the Synod.

The number of beneficiaries, deducting those in the Senior Class of the Seminary, is seventy-four. For these provision is to be made during the ensuing year. Eight of these are supported by the Van Benschoten Fund, and a few others by the proceeds of other investments, leaving the large majority dependent on the voluntary contributions of Churches and individuals.

The term of the following members of the Board expires with the current year: Rev. S. B. How, D.D., Wm. R. Gordon, D.D., N. E. Smith, Hon. T. Frelinghuysen; Messrs. B. L. Kip, P. S. Duryee, J. S. Woodward, Jeremiah Lambert.

In view of the statements in the foregoing report, your Committee recommend the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That in view of the circumstances which have constrained the Rev. Dr. Cornell to tender his resignation to the Board of Education, this Synod expresses its appreciation of the very efficient service rendered to the Church, in the department in which he has labored with so much acceptance.

2. *Resolved*, That the wants of the Board of Education constitute an appeal to the liberality of the Churches, which should be promptly answered.

3. *Resolved*, That the several Classes be requested, at the earliest opportunity, to impress upon each representative of the various Churches in their bounds the obligation of personal attention to the claims of the Board of Education.

Sabbath-School Union of the Reformed Dutch Church.

From the elaborate report of the Board of Managers, your Committee present the following statements:

The report exhibits an encouraging increase in the number of the schools, teachers, and scholars connected with the Union, compared with the report of the last year, besides a large advance in the amount contributed for benevolent purposes. The entire sum of these contributions during the past year is \$4,200, being \$1,434 more than the amount paid into its treasury in the year preceding.

The whole number of schools at present on the list of the Board is 274; eight have been added as auxiliaries since the last report.

City Mission Sabbath-Schools.

The Report of the Board of Managers represents its Missionary operations as having been steadily and successfully prosecuted. A large number of children have been gathered into the Mission Schools, and the neglect of religious home education has been in some measure supplied by the instructions of faithful teachers who have devoted themselves to this work. Among other items of interest mentioned, we select the following:

The Mission Schools at Harlem, and the one formerly located in Greenwich Street, have become self-supporting. The latter has been taken under the care of the Greenwich Reformed Dutch Church, which has rented a commodious building for its accommodation in King Street, and introduced the regular preaching of the Gospel on the Sabbath; the hope is expressed that this enterprise may be the germ of a permanent and flourishing Church.

Into these Mission Schools over 1,200 children, principally from the abodes of poverty, irreligion and crime, have been gathered, and about 125 faithful and self-denying teachers have cheerfully devoted their time and services to the nurture and instruction of these neglected and perishing "little ones." Convenient and suitable rooms have been secured at desirable points of the city for the accommodation of

these schools, and care has been taken to provide suitable clothing for such of the children as required it. A large number of Bibles, Testaments, Hymn Books, Catechisms, and Juvenile Papers and Tracts have been distributed. The fruit of these appliances has been manifest, not only in the marked improvement of conduct and morals, but more than all, in the lively interest which has been remarked in the acquisition of Scriptural knowledge; nor can it be questioned, that this influence has been excited in many instances upon the parents and families with whom the scholars are to a great extent identified. All the expenses of the work have been promptly met as they have occurred.

Missionary Work in the Country.

During the past Synodical year, seven missionaries have been employed in various sections of the country, in promoting the Sabbath-school work. Some of these labored for a few weeks, others for a term of months, and their efforts in organizing schools in destitute regions, and strengthening those that were already established, are represented as having met with encouraging success. Several of these missionaries are students from the Theological Seminary, who have exerted a happy influence in awakening increased attention and interest in the various districts visited by them. The report states, that the old and the young have been profited, and that many have been led to inquire after the path of life, and that the doors of the sanctuary have been opened, after being closed for many years. The work has also been prosecuted in the Western States, principally in Michigan and Illinois, and a large number of schools and Bible-classes have been organized and established, which give promise of the best results.

The Board has had it in its power to afford liberal donations of books to the Sabbath-schools which were in need of them, and a detailed list is furnished in their report.

From the Treasurer's Report, it appears that the receipts from the Churches during the past year amount to \$2,312 77, and the payments to \$5,346 32. This is a falling off from the amount of the preceding year of \$1,879. This deficit is attributed by the Board to two causes. The first is the change of policy adopted by the Board to diminish the expenses of the management, in consequence of which the Secretary abandoned the visitation of the Churches, and substituted appeals by letter and circular. The second is the impression produced by the report of the Committee on Education, at the last meeting of Synod, touching the unreasonable expensiveness of the management of the Sabbath-school Board's operations, and certain explanatory statements are made, showing that this was to some extent a misapprehension. The Board appeals to the Church for renewed and more cordial co-operation, in view of the work which they propose to accomplish, and in order to enable them to meet their engagements with the Missionaries in their employ.

Your Committee recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Synod regards the efforts of the Sabbath-school Board to bring the multitudes of neglected children in our large cities

and throughout the country under the influence of Christian instruction, as eminently deserving the cordial co-operation of the entire Church.

From the Report of the Treasurer, it appears that the balance on hand on May 1st was \$1,798 37.

The various documents and vouchers for expenditures and receipts accompany the reports.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. F. BERG.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Sabbath-school Union whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were elected: Rev. Abraham R. Van Nest, D.D., Charles Hageman, Enoch Van Aken, Edward W. Hitchcock, John H. Manning, Edw. P. Terhune; Messrs. Bauman Lowe, Ellsworth P. Maltby, R. N. Perlee, John Skillman, Samuel B. Stewart, Henry Demarest, Theophilus Brower, (for two years.)

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Education whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were chosen: Rev. William R. Gordon, D.D., N. E. Smith, Abel T. Stewart; Messrs. B. Livingston Kip, Charles Dusenberry, J. B. Sheffield, Jacob P. Jewett, Henry D. Varick.

ARTICLE XIII.

RUTGERS COLLEGE.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XIV.

PROFESSORATE.

Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary whose term of service had expired.

Nominations were received from the Classes of Bergen, Rensselaer, Monmouth, Geneva, Westchester, Orange, Bergen, and Schoharie, which were confirmed.

It was referred to the Committee on Nominations to report double number of persons from whom to choose members for those Classes who have not nominated.

The Committee reported, and the election took place accordingly.

The following are the persons chosen to fill the vacancies in the Board of Superintendents: Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D., from the

Classis of Hudson; Rev. E. P. Stimpson, from the Classis of Rensselaer; Rev. William Reiley, D.D., from the Classis of Monmouth; Rev. John W. Schenck, from the Classis of Geneva; Rev. James Bolton, from the Classis of Westchester; Rev. Charles Scott, from the Classis of Orange; Rev. Gustavus Abeel, D.D., from the Classis of Bergen; Rev. H. A. Raymond, from the Classis of Schoharie; Rev. E. P. Livingston, from the Classis of Illinois; Rev. Joseph Scudder, from the Classis of Arcot; Rev. John Steele, from the Classis of Saratoga.

The Committee on the Professorate reported, and their Report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on the Professorate report as follows:

I. *Board of Direction.*

The Report of this Board indicates commendable wisdom and fidelity on the part of its members in the trust committed to them.

(a.) *The Contingent Fund.* Owing to "the deranged condition of pecuniary affairs generally," only \$230.76 have been added from contributions to this fund, making the amount at this time, \$994.39. It is recommended to the Board to continue their efforts according to the plan they have adopted.

(b.) *Contingent Expenses.* The Board complain that a portion of the Classes "are very dilatory, if not entirely forgetful of the necessities of General Synod; that they fail to meet the small demands made upon them for these expenses." We earnestly commend this subject to the several delinquent or dilatory Classes, and ask of them their early attention to it, and the remarks made upon it by the Board in their Report.

In the erection of a monument, and defraying the funeral expenses of our late Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, and by the removal of the Professor-elect to New Brunswick, the contingent expenses of the current year will be increased. We recommend, therefore, to the Synod, to call upon the several Classes who have not paid their indebtedness to General Synod for assessments or Synodical Minutes, to pay the same without delay; and that they be prepared to meet the annual assessment to pay the balance required for the current expenses of the Church, when notified thereof.

(c.) *Moses Cowan Scholarship.* The Board state "that during the past year, the executor of the estate of Moses Cowan, deceased, has made a final settlement of the estate, and paid over to the Treasurer the sum of \$817.39, of which \$500.00 has been added to the sum previously accumulated, thereby making a scholarship of \$2,500; the balance, (\$315.59,) being interest, was paid over to the Treasurer of the Board of Education." They recommend to the Synod to declare the same "The Moses Cowan Scholarship." Your Committee advise that it be so declared.

II. *Van Benschoten and Knox Funds.*

(a.) *The Van Benschoten Fund.* Ten young men have received aid from this fund during the year, and there remained in the hands of the Treasurer, April 1st, 1861, an unappropriated balance of \$1,532.88. Mr. B. Van Benschoten, of the Senior Class in Rutgers College, was examined by the Board of Superintendents, and recommended to Synod "as a suitable person to receive aid" from this fund. We offer the following resolution: "*Resolved*, that Mr. B. Van Benschoten is hereby recommended to the Trustees of Rutgers College for aid from the Van Benschoten Fund."

(b.) *The Knox Fund.* From this fund three young men have received aid during the year, and there was April 1st, 1861, a balance from it due Rutgers College of \$32.89.

III. *The Theological School.*

(a.) *Death of Rev. S. A. Van Vranken, D.D., S. T. P.* *Theological School.*

From "the school of the prophets" there comes to us the sad announcement of the death of our Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology. He died on the first day of the present year. For nearly twenty years he served his Master in the Theological Chair. His death, we are assured by the Theological Faculty, was "the fitting close of a life of consistent advocacy of the doctrines of grace." The following is proposed as an expression of this Synod in relation to this sad event.

We feel thankful to our blessed Saviour, the Head of the Church, for having given and so long spared to us His humble, devoted, and faithful servant, our highly gifted and much esteemed and beloved Professor, Rev. Samuel A. Van Vranken, D.D., and for sustaining him in practically teaching us our last duty and privilege in this world to "die in the Lord."

We tender to his bereaved family our sympathy, and commend them to Him "who was in all points tempted like we are, yet without sin; and being tempted, is able to overcome them that are tempted."

We mourn our loss in this bereavement. He was to all of us a friend, and to many of us a father, for we "sat at his feet," and were receiving his counsels. But we know that infinite wisdom and perfect goodness concur in this dispensation, and, therefore, we bow before the Lord with humble submission.

After the death of Dr. Van Vranken, the surviving professors continued to read his lectures to the classes, occupying all his hours, and preparing the students for examination in didactic and polemic theology, with due attention to their own appropriate duties. In reference to these extra labors, the Board of Superintendents took proper action, and we propose for the cordial endorsement of Synod a similar resolution:

Resolved, That this Synod express their high appreciation and grateful sense of the services rendered to the Church by the Professors of

Biblical Literature and Church History, during the past year, by performing the duties of the Theological Chair.

Resolved, That in token of respect for his piety, talents, and long service in the Church and her institutions, a monument with a suitable inscription, commemorative of our venerable father, be placed over his grave, and that Professors Campbell and Woodbridge, and Hon. Theodore Frelinghuysen, be a committee to carry this resolution into effect, and that the Treasurer of General Synod pay the expenses thereof.

Resolved, That the salary of the late Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology be continued to his widow until the first day of June, 1861, and that the expenses attending his funeral be paid by the Treasurer of General Synod.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be directed to send a copy of the above resolutions to the family of the deceased professor, and also to the Theological Faculty.

The Theological Faculty, in their report to the Board of Superintendents, state that they undertook to perform the duties of the Theological Professor "until the proper authorities make other arrangements." To make these arrangements will be the duty of this Synod. We propose, therefore, the following resolution:

Resolved, That this Synod proceed to the election of a Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. S. A. Van Vranken, D.D.

(b.) *Attendance of Students*. Under this head there is nothing which, in the opinion of your Committee, calls for Synodical action. For information we refer to the Report of the Board of Superintendents.

(c.) *Students' Preaching*. A paper has been referred to your Committee from the Classis of Holland, "earnestly requesting Synod to annul all previous actions on the subject of 'Student Preaching,' (so called,) and to commit the matter to the Theological Faculty, to regulate and apply the needful restraint, and guide the students of the Senior Class in the practice of leading Sabbath and other religious meetings, as an essential part of the Seminary course.

Upon this subject the Board of Superintendents report as follows: "Agreeably to the direction of Synod, the students were interrogated as to their compliance with the rules prescribed for them on the subject of preaching, from which it appeared that a few violations of the law occurred before the official announcement of the penalty attached thereto by the last General Synod, but none have occurred since that time. The Board, therefore, report no names to General Synod as exceeding the rule.

"In view of certain embarrassments, to which Professors and students are subjected, in the application of the law of 1858, during vacations in the Seminary, the Board resolved that the permission which the Professors may give to the students of the Senior Class to preach during the vacations, will, in the opinion of the Board, meet the spirit of the law of 1858, if it shall indicate the sermons which each student

may preach, and the region and the period in which he shall be permitted to preach them."

It is the opinion of your Committee that this interpretation of the law relating to "student preaching" sufficiently meets the wishes of the Classis of Holland, as expressed in their communication: they therefore recommend the following:

Resolved, That the interpretation of the law of 1858, relating to "student preaching," found on p. 345-6, of Minutes of June, 1858, given by the Board of Superintendents, is hereby approved.

(d.) *Release of Professors from Instructing in College*.—Upon this subject we have the following in the report of the Board of Superintendents: "An important matter was also brought before the Board in the following extract from the report of the Faculty:

"The Faculty beg leave to suggest that such action should be taken by the Board and Synod as would relieve the Theological Faculty from teaching in the College. The large increase in the number of the students, and the general interests of the Seminary, imperatively demand all the time of the Professors, while the number and eminent abilities of the Literary Faculty render them fully able to discharge all the duties of the College. The Board considered the above suggestion of the Theological Faculty as meriting consideration, and as early action as may be practicable, and therefore adopted the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That it be recommended to General Synod to take measures to afford the desired relief."

Your Committee are of opinion that the relief desired should at once be sought for; and therefore recommend that a committee be appointed by Synod to confer with the Trustees of Rutgers College, to secure "the release of the Professors from instructing in the College as soon as practicable."

IV. *Communication from Mr. W. G. Mentz.*

In the matter relating to Mr. Wm. G. Mentz and General Synod, the facts, as they appear to your Committee, are these: A contract was made by General Synod with Mr. Wm. G. Mentz, April 5th, 1854, for five years from April 15th, 1854, in which he stipulated "to print and publish" certain Hymn-Books, "in such quantities as may be required to supply the demand therefor." He further agreed, that he would not "assign or transfer" "the exclusive right and privilege" granted him, of "printing and publishing" said books, "without the consent of General Synod; otherwise the agreement should be void," if the Board of Direction or General Synod should so "elect and determine." It was further agreed that if, after the expiration of five years, Mr. Wm. G. Mentz should not "be continued as the publisher of said books, the General Synod 'shall purchase' certain 'stereotype plates' 'if found in good condition, and fit for further use, and pay an equitable price therefor, to be ascertained by impartial appraisers.'"

In 1857, Mr. Wm. G. Mentz, being "unfortunate in business," was "sold out by the Sheriff," and the above-mentioned "stereotype plates" were, according to his statement, bought by his sister, Mary Provoust,

for his "use during the balance of the contract; she to receive the valuation of the plates, at the expiration of said contract."

In June, 1858, the Board of Publication reported to General Synod, that "the contract for the publication of our Psalm and Hymn Book expires in the coming year, and order should be taken at the present session for its future issue;" and Synod resolved "that the future issuing of our Psalmody be committed to the Board of Publication."

The General Synod, Oct. 23d, 1858, after consulting counsel, did "elect and determine to consider said contract void and at an end." The reasons they assigned for this determination were, that "Mr. Wm. G. Mentz had failed to comply with the agreement made by him with the General Synod of Ref. Prot. Dutch Church, April 5th, 1854, for the publication of the Psalm and Hymn Book, and had assigned or transferred his right of publication, (as far as he could do the same,) without the consent of the said General Synod, and had also failed to supply the demand for said book, and had thereby, at the election of said General Synod, avoided and determined his said contract."

Notice of this election and determination was served upon Mr. Wm. G. Mentz, and also upon his sister, Mary Rovoudt,* Oct. 30th, 1858.

In the answer to this notice, of date Nov. 6th, 1858, Mr. Mentz denied the assertions that he had "transferred contract to any person, and challenged any person to produce the proof;" and in his communication to Synod, of date June 3d, 1861, he says, that he denied the assertions that "he had transferred the right to publish said Hymn Book to any person, and claimed that he can prove by the printer that the plates have been in his vault since the contract was made, and that no person has been permitted to use them but himself."

On the 14th of April, 1859, the day before the contract expired, the Secretary of the Board of Publication and the Agent called on Mr. Mentz, and the Secretary handed him the copy of the contract, and said "the Board of Direction had handed it to him, and that after to-morrow, they would be the publishers; and stated that matters in regard to the plates must be settled with the Board of Direction."

Since the last-mentioned date, there has been no action by either of the contracting parties. Mr. Mentz now, however, in his communication to Synod, "*asks of Synod to do justice in the case.*"

Your Committee feel desirous, and doubt not that Synod are desirous, that justice should be done in this case; but it appears to your Committee, from the above statements, that Synod's views of the legal claims or just rights of the contracting parties must vary according to its views of the laws relating to this whole subject; and that as the Board of Direction is this Synod, in law, this whole matter should be referred to that Board. We offer, therefore, the following resolution:

Resolved, That Mr. Wm. G. Mentz is hereby referred to the Board of Direction for the settlement of any business he may have with the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, relating to his contract made with said Synod, April 5th, 1854.

C. E. CRISPELL, *Chairman.*

* In last line, p. 80, read Mary Rovoudt instead of Mary Provoust.

The following were appointed the Committee to confer with the Trustees of Rutgers College, in relation to the release of the professors from instruction in Rutgers College: Rev. M. S. Hutton, D.D., A. B. Van Zandt, D.D., and the Elder, S. B. Schieffelin.

Synod proceeded to appoint a Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, in the place of the Rev. Samuel A. Van Vranken, D.D., who has been removed by death.

A number of candidates for the Professorship having been nominated, on a succeeding day, after a season of special prayer, Synod proceeded to elect a Professor. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D., was elected.

Whereupon, it was *Resolved, unanimously*, That the Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D., be, and hereby is, appointed Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.

Resolved, That an instrument certifying the appointment, and specifying the duties of the office, be signed in the presence of the General Synod, by the President thereof, and by him be given, in the name of the Church, to the Professor elect.

Resolved, That the salary of the Professor elect be eighteen hundred dollars per annum, with the use of the east wing of the College building.

Resolved, That the President of the Synod, and the Rev. Benjamin C. Taylor, D.D., James Demarest, and the Elder, Samuel B. Schieffelin, be a Committee to wait upon the Professor elect, inform him of his appointment, and obtain from him his decision on the subject. The Committee reported that they had waited upon the Professor elect, and that, at their request, he would in person attend the Synod and announce his decision.

In accordance with this arrangement, the Rev. Dr. Berg appeared in Synod on the morning of the seventh day of the Session, and declared his acceptance of the appointment of the General Synod as the Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick.

Resolved, That the Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology be inaugurated into his office on Tuesday, 24th day of September next, at 11 o'clock, in the Second Reformed Dutch Church in New Brunswick; and that, in addition to the inaugural address to be delivered on that occasion by the Professor elect, the Rev. George W. Bethune, D.D., be, and hereby is, appointed to deliver a sermon, and the Rev. William H. Campbell, D.D., to deliver a charge to the Professor; and that the Rev. Abraham B. Van Zandt, D.D., be Secundus to the Rev.

George W. Bethune, D.D., and the Rev. John T. Demarest, D.D., be *Secundus* to the Rev. William H. Campbell, D.D., and that the President of the Synod preside on the occasion.

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of Messrs. David Bishop, Johnson Letson, Daniel S. Jones, be appointed to aid the Professor elect in his removal to the College edifice, and that the Treasurer of General Synod is hereby authorized to pay the expenses of the same.

Synod proceeded to fill the vacancies in the Standing Committee on the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall. The Committee on Nominations having reported double the number of persons from whom to choose such persons, Synod proceeded to the election. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following persons were re-elected: Rev. George W. Bethune, D.D., and Rev. Hugh N. Wilson, D.D.

ARTICLE XV.

STUDENTS IN THEOLOGY.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVI.

CHURCH VISITATIONS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVII.

PREVAILING SINS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVIII.

MISSIONS.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was presented, read, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The following report was received from the committee appointed to secure a suitable monument to the memory of the late Rev. John Scudder, M.D., which was accepted, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions:

To the Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church:

The Committee appointed by your honorable body, at its setting in June, 1859, to collect means for the erection of a monument to the memory of the lamented Rev. John Scudder, M.D., late Missionary to India, beg respectfully to report, that they have had a monument made by collections from the Sabbath-school children of the Church.

It has been finished some months, and would long since have been sent to India, but for the great desire of every son and daughter of Dr. S. that it should be erected in front of Hertzog Hall.

The Committee await the action of your honorable body.

Respectfully submitted.

THO. C. DOREMUS, *Chairman of Com.*

New York, June 3, 1861.

The Twenty-ninth Annual Report of the Board of Domestic Missions was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions would respectfully present the following Report:

In the general tone of the report of the Board, in its condensed and yet clear narrative of labors and results, and in the aspect of the foreign field, your Committee find much reason for thankfulness to the Great Head of the Church, and abundant encouragement for continued and enlarged prayers, contributions, and labors in behalf of this great cause. This is but the Fourth Annual Report of the Board since the Church has taken the work of conducting and sustaining its Foreign Missions entirely into its own hands. The anticipated results of increased interest in the cause on the part of our people, enlarged benevolence, and extended operations, have been more than realized. These results are, to us, a confirmation of the great principle, that God designed his Church to do its own work through its own organization. It is only under the operation of this principle that the Church can be made to feel the measure of its own responsibility. And when, as at this time, in the providence of God, the burden of that responsibility grows heavy, she can still confidently gird herself to the duty of greater exertions and sacrifices, looking to Him, in whom alone is her help, and whose demands never exceed the ability which He has given, and will give.

The Scudder Monument, as appears from the communication of the Committee, has not yet left this country, and the Committee now

asks to have it erected in front of Hertzog Hall, and intimate that this is the desire of all the sons of Dr. Scudder. Therefore,

Resolved, That this request be granted.

The Treasurer of the Board, Ezra A. Hayt, having sent in his resignation, it is but due to express the appreciation in which the Synod holds his valuable services, and their regret at the prospect of losing them. The Committee therefore recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be presented to Ezra A. Hayt for his long-continued and faithful services, as Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions.

To detail the particular facts in the condition and prospects of the missionary stations, would be but to reproduce the very full and satisfactory report of the Board. The three fields, to the culture of which the energies of our Church have thus far been directed, are found in India, China, and Japan. In the first of these, the Arcot Mission, the force has been considerably augmented the past year, and high hopes are entertained of greatly increased results. The Report states that the Mission, "with its six Churches and Stations, its seminaries and parochial schools," is now fully manned. And the statistical tables for the past year, as well as the reports from the different Churches and Stations, give grounds for encouragement, and occasion for thankfulness.

Reinforcements have also been sent to the Amoy Mission, which, together with the brethren already on the ground, will constitute an effective force in that field. A new station has recently been added to the number occupied, where a Church will be organized at an early day. An encouraging fact is noticed in the order and piety of the Chinese Christians, and their zeal as "fellow-helpers to the truth."

Such instrumentalities are of the utmost importance in such a field. Among these Oriental nations, the missionary work must at last be carried forward by native missionaries. The Committee therefore observe with pleasure the attention given at all our stations to the training up of native teachers and pastors.

The mission to Japan is rich in promise, and some pleasant fruits are beginning to appear. When the relations of foreign nations with that singular people shall become more established, we may reasonably hope for a more decided effect from the truth upon their minds. Curiosity is already awakened, and an anxious desire to know something of the Christian religion as held by Protestants. The true attitude of the Church in regard to this field is to watch and wait, ever prepared to enter in where the Lord shall go before her.

The Report of the Board shows a gradual diffusion of the missionary spirit in our Churches, and its consequent results appear in a gratifying increase of contributions. But it ought to be remembered that the work of Foreign Missions is one which cannot remain stationary. The movement at any point of attack upon the wide-spread territory of Satan must ever be onward and aggressive, or it must retrograde. If we make no advances, we cannot even hold what we have gained

without increasing expenditures of means and men. To a Church of limited extent like our own, wisdom dictates that these points should be few and well maintained. This has been our policy hitherto, and it has enabled us to make an impression on the dark mass of heathenism, which a more diffused action could not have produced.

But the question may arise, Have we reached the point beyond which the ability of our Churches cannot carry us? To this question the answer would be easy in the ordinary condition of affairs. It would be absurd to suppose that four years of effort had brought a Church of 50,000 members quite up to the measure of duty and privilege. If, then, the condition of public and monetary affairs had remained unchanged, the voice of the Synod to the Churches could have had but one purport, and that, an earnest exhortation to enlarge their contributions, that the plans and measures of the Board might also be enlarged. But it cannot be disguised that an extraordinary condition of affairs now exists in our land, and in view of its probable effects upon our people, we must look it calmly in the face. The difference in the receipts of the Board during the last half of the financial year, as compared with the former part of the year, is indicative of what may be expected for the year to come, unless an extraordinary spirit of consecration shall come upon our people. The Board therefore do not unnaturally express their fears as to the future. The financial year begins with an indebtedness of \$5,000, to be provided for during the coming four months. To maintain the missions at their present position, will require an expenditure little short of that of the preceding year.

We cannot safely calculate upon less than \$35,000 as the minimum which the Board will actually require to carry on its operations for the year. To realize this amount will probably require a measure of effort on the part of pastors and Consistories, and of self-denial on the part of our people, beyond that of any former year. To meet this emergency, it will not be enough for the Synod merely to pass its ordinary resolutions and recommendations. A vigorous and determined effort must be made by our pastors to bring their people up to the spirit of the work and the crisis which is upon us. If there must be retrenchment, let it not begin at the Lord's house. Our Church has never yet been called to make sacrifices; our benevolent contributions hitherto have scarcely interfered with our indulgences; shall they cease, or be materially diminished the moment they touch our comforts? Is this the consecration which we profess? May not the cross which we are called to bear come in the shape of self-denial in some of our pleasant things in such a time as this?

The Committee recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the progress of the Foreign Missionary work gives ground for thankfulness and encouragement, and is, to His Church, as the voice of the Master saying, "Go forward!"

Resolved, That as the conditions of the Foreign Missionary work will not admit of retrenchment without great loss and embarrassment and possibly permanent disaster, therefore, notwithstanding the unfortunate condition of our country, and its consequent commercial depres-

sion, yet, under the necessity of maintaining our missions, Consistories and people are called to extraordinary efforts and sacrifices in the spirit of Christian self-denial.

Resolved, That as an important means for cultivating this spirit, the Synod recommend to all our Churches to secure a wider circulation for the "*Sower*," which is hereafter to be known as the "*Missionary Recorder*."

A. B. VAN ZANDT, *Chairman of Com.*

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Foreign Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were elected: Revs. Thomas De Witt, D.D., A. B. Van Zandt, D.D., Hugh N. Wilson, D.D., Cornelius Van Cleef, V. M. Hulbert, and Messrs. W. F. Van Wagonen, Abraham J. Beekman, Ezra A. Hayt.

The Committee on Domestic Missions reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

In presenting our review and digest of the clear, ample, and satisfactory Report of the Board of Domestic Missions, we congratulate the Synod on the evidence it affords of the fidelity of its Executive Committee and Corresponding Secretary, and the zeal with which they have prosecuted the very delicate and highly responsible service intrusted to them. They seem to have come up fully to the Synod's conception of the vast importance of this department of labor, to the enlargement, efficiency, and final triumph of the Church. It would be exceedingly difficult to overestimate the mighty influence of Domestic Missions, in their reaction upon the Churches that sustain them, in cultivating their sympathy and liberality, in giving exercise to their faith, and trust in God for a blessing on their efforts, and in securing the fulfillment of the promise, that those who minister to others shall themselves become fat and flourishing. But all this is only incidental and collateral; their great work is to preach the Gospel to the outcast; to establish Churches and sustain them, until a sparse population and limited resources are so multiplied and increased, that they may not only provide themselves with the bread of life, but give it freely to others. For many years past, the Synod has been doing a noble and blessed work, through the agency of this Board; many a barren spot has been clothed with verdure, and made to bud and blossom as the rose; many a large and luscious cluster has given promise of a rich and abundant harvest; and many of the recipients of its aid, in every section of the Church, have risen up and expressed their gratitude to God for its sympathy and beneficence.

This cause can never be abandoned whilst there is a single throb of vitality in the Church; nor can it be suffered to languish for want of sustenance, without bringing on a paralysis, which will gradually extend from the extremities to the very fountain of life.

The Board has labored under great embarrassments during the past year, and yet the results are by no means discouraging. They have been able during the past year to occupy several important points at the West, which have long been calling for help. A good degree of success, we are pleased to learn, attends the labors of our missionaries there.

The visit of the Corresponding Secretary among our Western Churches, last fall, seems to have been hailed with joy by the brethren visited, and will no doubt prove beneficial to all concerned. The suggestions made by the Secretary, in the Annual Report of the Board, as the result of his visit and more thorough acquaintance with the work, in reference "to the course to pursue in that part of the field," strike us favorably.

We present the following tabular statement of results of 1861, as compared with those of 1860:

	1861.	1860.
Churches and Missions aided.....	69	76
" " " at the East.....	51	61
" " " " West.....	18	15
Missionaries and Missionary Pastors.....	64	68
" " " at the East.....	45	52
" " " " West.....	19	16
New Churches organized.....	..	6
New Houses of Worship completed and entered.....	5	5
" " " in various stages of progress ..	2	7
Persons received to Church Membership.....	555	711
" " on Confession of Faith.....	384	466
" " by Certificate.....	171	245
Number of Members in the Mission Churches.....	3,774	4,316
" Sabbath Schools.....	80	94
" Scholars.....	3,990	5,669
Contributed by Mission Churches to Domestic Missions.....	\$460.42	\$773.06
" " to other objects of benevolence.....	\$ 2,722.31	.....
Total receipts for the year.....	13,546.77	15,974.72

The number of Churches and Missions aided has been reduced by several becoming self-sustaining, and quite a number of the others have "completed their houses of worship, freed themselves from incumbence, or secured parsonages for their pastors." The number of conversions and the increase of membership will compare favorably with the older and stronger Churches, and we feel quite sure that the preaching of 64 missionaries, with their 5,000 pastoral visits and labors among over 4,000 Sabbath-school scholars, has commenced influences which will bless the Church and the world for time and eternity.

But, notwithstanding all this, the Churches have not responded to the urgent and almost coercive appeals made to them by the Synod of 1860. The total receipts of the Board during the last year were only \$13,596.53; being \$2,427.95 less than the preceding year; leaving the Board embarrassed with a debt of \$2,805.90. Out of more than 400 Churches represented by the Board, 178 have contributed nothing to its funds. This is a large number, and indicates a great want of interest in the progress and prosperity of the Church, or a feeling of disaffection with the operations of the Board; and yet, we can hardly impute

it to either. Many of these Churches are among the largest, wealthiest, and, in other respects, the most liberal in our connection; surely they cannot be indifferent or unconcerned in the effort to build up our feeble Churches, and extend our influence and ecclesiastical organization into the Western field; and they have all taken their part and incurred their share of responsibility in adopting new Missions, and in making the appropriations, and we have a right to expect that they will redeem their pledges, and furnish their part of the necessary supplies.

The Board must be sustained; they must not be left with an increasing debt and a lessening income, and be driven to the necessity of pawning their credit to meet their liabilities. It is evident the Dutch Church can bring up the receipts of this Board to the full demand of the present year, without any extraordinary draft upon their benevolent contributions; \$21,000 will pay the debt, meet the appropriations, and leave room for new enterprises. Shall it not be raised? Will not those who have given, both individuals and Churches, add twenty-five per cent. to the offerings of last year? And may we not hope that those who have passed by the claims of this Board will, by an especial effort, make up the balance, so that another anniversary may record our honesty in the payment of our debts, and our faithfulness in meeting every responsibility imposed upon us? "a consummation devoutly to be wished."

The General Synod of 1860 authorized the Board to appoint an itinerant missionary or missionary agent for the West; but as no reference is made to it in their report, we suppose that, for prudential reasons, they have taken no action in the premises. The Particular Synod of Chicago passed the following resolution: "That in the judgment of this Synod, it is eminently desirable that such an appointment be made; that we respectfully solicit the appointment of a suitable person, clothed with the necessary powers for the purposes and objects specified, and that we engage to do what we can towards his support."

Your Committee coincides in the views expressed by the Particular Synod of Chicago on this subject. We fondly hope and trust the time is not distant when the Board will see its way clear to make such appointment. We believe such a step, judiciously taken, will result in great benefit to the interests of our Western operations. No additional action is deemed necessary at present, except to request the Board of Domestic Missions to keep this matter prominently in view, and proceed to make such appointment as soon as practicable.

In reference to the whole subject of the report, the Committee recommend the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the Synod has undiminished confidence in the ability and diligence of the Corresponding Secretary, and in the wisdom, impartiality, and faithfulness of the Board.

2. *Resolved*, That the Board be earnestly requested to use the utmost caution in undertaking new enterprises, that our limited resources may not be expended in unpromising and unproductive fields; and that

they endeavor to reduce their larger appropriations to the lowest amount consistent with the successful prosecution of the mission.

3. *Resolved*, That the several Classes be earnestly requested to exercise extreme carefulness in recommending Churches for aid to the Board.

4. *Resolved*, That the Churches we represent shall be urged, if possible, to increase their contributions to this Board, so as to relieve it from debt and furnish means to meet all their responsibilities, and listen favorably to every cry for help.

5. *Resolved*, That the Classes be urged to take such steps as shall insure that the claims of all of our Boards be statedly presented to each of the Churches under their care, and collections taken for them.

6. *Resolved*, That with heartfelt gratitude to God for his blessing upon the toils and labors of the past year, we will go forward in his name, and in reliance upon his promise, multiplying the means of grace, strengthening the feeble Churches, and building up the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The Board has prepared with great deliberation and practical wisdom the following plan for the management and administration of a Church Building Fund:

1. All benevolent Funds for Church-Building purposes, however raised, shall be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of General Synod, and shall be held by the Board of Corporation as a Church-Building Fund, and shall be dispensed by the Board of Domestic Missions.

2. Applications for aid from this Fund shall be made to the Board of Domestic Missions, under recommendation of Classis, and the amount required stated, as also the amount to be raised by the people asking such assistance.

3. No greater amount than one-fifth of each thousand dollars which the building may cost shall be appropriated to any one Church.

4. A first bond and mortgage shall be executed to the Board of Corporation, to be made payable (upon any change of ecclesiastical relation, or upon the dissolution of the Church) by any Church receiving an appropriation. The interest thereon may be remitted at the discretion of the Board of Domestic Missions, and in case of such remission, the Church shall make a yearly collection for the Fund; and every Church aided shall be expected to pay back the aid received, as soon as practicable.

5. No Church shall be aided which would have a debt remaining after receiving assistance from this Fund.

6. An Annual Collection shall be solicited from all the Churches towards this Fund.

The Committee cordially recommend its adoption.

Your Committee is pleased to learn that the Board have been able, during the past year, to occupy several important points at the West,

which have long been calling for help, and that the Divine blessing attends the labors of our missionaries there. A very gratifying advance has been made in our operations, and since the organization of the Particular Synod of Chicago, (see Minutes,) we trust the work in that interesting and important department will continue to go forward and be prosecuted as vigorously as possible. The suggestions of the Secretary as to the course to pursue strike us favorably, to wit:

The appointment of an itinerant missionary, as recommended by last General Synod, has not yet been effected. The Particular Synod of Chicago, at their last session, speak of this as eminently desirable.

Your Committee do not deem any additional action necessary, further than to recommend the Board to keep their eye to this matter, and as soon as the way is prepared, proceed to make such appointment.

The term for which the following persons were elected as members of the Board of Domestic Missions expires with the present session of General Synod: Rev. Isaac Ferris, D.D., Peter Stryker, P. D. Van Cleef, Goyt Talmage, E. S. Porter, D.D., Messrs. S. B. Schieffelin, M. De Mott, and L. J. Belloni, who was elected to fill the unexpired term of Mr. T. C. Doremus.

Respectfully submitted.

RANSFORD WELLS, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Domestic Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were elected: Rev. Anthony Elmendorf, D.D., E. S. Porter, D.D., Peter Stryker, P. D. Van Cleef, Isaac M. See, and Messrs. Samuel B. Schieffelin and Louis J. Belloni.

ARTICLE XIX.

WIDOWS' FUND.

The Committee appointed at the last General Synod to take into consideration the subject of the Widows' Fund presented their report, which was accepted, and referred to the Committee on the Widows' Fund.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church:

The Committee appointed at the last session of General Synod "to take into consideration the subject of the Widows' Fund, with the view of ascertaining what measures can be adopted to give greater stability and efficiency to the operations of the Fund," respectfully report:

That a careful consideration of the subject has abundantly satisfied your Committee of the importance of the object which the Fund was designed to accomplish, its safety and desirableness as an investment, and its adaptability to accomplish the desired end. As much miscon-

ception exists with regard to the operations of this Fund, and so few understand its practical workings, it may not be unprofitable to state at the outset the system of management, and its actual results, so that we may more satisfactorily explain the recommendations we shall propose in order to remedy the obvious defects of some of its provisions.

The Fund consists of two parts: an increasing principal, and a varying income. From its beginning until the year 1845, all receipts of every kind went to the principal account, in accordance with the original condition, that no payments should be made to annuitants until the Fund amounted to ten thousand dollars. This result was attained in 1845, and since that time all donations and collections in churches, and all payments by ministers of a sum the interest of which, at four per cent., would amount to twenty, ten, or five dollars per year, have gone to the principal account, and have been invested on bond and mortgage, under the direction of the Board of Corporation. This Fund, therefore, must increase in proportion to the liberality of the churches, and cannot be diminished except by the withdrawal of the sums paid in by ministers, as above mentioned, and which now amount to twenty-six hundred and sixty-six dollars. This Fund had increased from the original amount of \$10,000 in 1845, to \$17,378.46 on the thirtieth of April, 1861; and even if all should withdraw from it who are entitled to do so, it cannot be reduced below the sum of \$14,711.80.

The income of this Fund is derived from the interest of the invested principal, the annual payments by ministers, and from donations when so specially directed. This income is appropriated as follows: First, to the payment of the Treasurer's salary and contingent expenses, which amount to about \$153 a year; then to the payment to those ministers who have made annual payments, and who determine to relinquish their interest in the Fund, of the amount of money actually paid by them, without interest; and the balance is distributed ratably among the annuitants. The maximum allowance of two hundred dollars being paid to those who have made five annual payments of twenty dollars each, and a fixed proportionate allowance to those who have made smaller payments. If the income to be distributed is not sufficient to pay each annuitant the maximum allowance, each receives a proportionate share of the amount to be distributed.

From this brief statement, the following conclusions are apparent:

1st. That the principal cannot be impaired, and must constantly increase in proportion to the liberality of the churches, and that *its safety depends entirely upon the care and judgment with which it is invested by the Board of Corporation*. This is a point of great importance, as the impression seems to have become prevalent that the principal is being constantly diminished by the withdrawal of the annual subscribers; whereas, the effect of such withdrawal is actually to increase the benefits to be derived from this principal by those who continue to be interested in the Fund; the only withdrawals which can effect it being of those who have paid in at one time a gross sum; and the amount that has been thus paid is now only \$2,666.66. It may then be truly affirmed that this principal is as safe as any investment on bond and

mortgage can be, and as safe as any funds under the control of General Synod.

2nd. That the income is very variable, depending upon the amount paid by annual subscribers, and upon the amount withdrawn by them; so that annuitants cannot make any reliable estimate of the amount to be received by them; and indeed would not in some years receive anything, if it should happen that the amount to be paid to those withdrawing should be equal to the whole income received. At one time, annuitants did receive the maximum allowance of \$200, while in the year ending May 1, 1860, they only received seventy-one dollars, and this because so large an amount was paid during that year to those withdrawing, there having been \$1,180 paid to ministers withdrawing, while only \$845 were paid to annuitants; and this year the payments will be even less, and for the same reason.

Your Committee was appointed to consider what measures should be adopted to give greater stability and efficiency to this Fund, and in view of the foregoing statement it seems to them evident that it is important to provide for a more rapid increase of the principal, and to render the income more reliable; and after a careful consideration of the subject, they would recommend the following alteration in the plan of the Fund, believing that they would accomplish these objects, and render the operations of the Fund much more satisfactory:

1st. To permit only seventy-five per cent. of the amount paid in by annual subscribers to be subsequently withdrawn by them.

2d. To allow not more than half of the net income to be paid out in any fiscal year to those desiring to withdraw.

3d. To appropriate to the principal account one-half of the annual payments made by ministers, and the other half to the income account; also to appropriate each year to the principal account a sum equal to the interest, at the rate of three per cent. per annum, upon those sums which shall stand to the credit of ministers in the principal account; and where Consistories or individuals direct the amount of their contributions to apply to the credit of any minister, such amount to be placed in the principal account, and not thereafter to be withdrawn, unless otherwise directed at the time of payment.

The object of the first proposition is to check, to a certain extent, the withdrawals of those paying annual subscriptions; which object it is hoped would be accomplished by withholding twenty-five per cent. of the amount paid by them, and by the adoption of this with the other propositions, making the fund so reliable an investment as to render it greatly to their interest to continue their subscriptions.

The object of the second proposition is to make it certain that the annuitants will receive each year at least one-half of the net income, and the whole, if there are no withdrawals.

The object of the third proposition is to secure a more rapid increase of the principal, and a more equitable distribution of the annual receipts, by providing that, in addition to the amount now appropriated to the principal account, one-half of the payments by ministers should be added to that fund. It seems apparent to your Committee

that it is neither judicious nor equitable that all the annual payments by ministers should be paid out each year as income, but that *all* who are interested in the fund should be benefited by these annual payments. It may happen that for a few years there may be a large number of annual payments, all of which, under the present arrangement, would be distributed among those who should then be annuitants; and if, at some subsequent time, many of these ministers should withdraw the amounts due them, they would have to be paid to the great detriment of those who should *then* be annuitants. If the amount paid by those who make annual payments should be equally divided between principal and income, a more equitable result would seem to follow. Under the present arrangement, none but annuitants derive any benefit from the annual payments of ministers. It is also thought that the principal account should derive some benefit from those cases in which ministers, by making a single payment, are entitled to all the advantages of the fund, and it is proposed that three per cent. upon these payments should be annually credited to the principal account. With reference to the appropriation that is recommended of the moneys paid by Consistories, it is supposed that the views of congregations would more generally be carried out if the minister for whom the payment was made should not afterwards be privileged to withdraw the amount so paid; but this provision will not prevent Consistories directing that the payment by them shall have the same effect as if it were made by the minister.

Your Committee is aware that these changes cannot be made without the consent of the paying subscribers as well as the annuitants, yet they believe them to be so obviously proper that it will not be difficult to obtain these consents. The only right relinquished by the ministers making annual payments is that of withdrawing the *whole* amount paid by them, and perhaps, in some cases, of obtaining in *one year* the whole amount due them; but we think that this will be more than compensated by the provision made for increasing the principal, and by the greater stability of the fund. The only rights relinquished by the annuitants will be that of having the whole of the annual payments of ministers and the whole of the interest of the principal sums paid by some ministers go to the income account; but this will be much more than compensated by the provision intended to secure fewer withdrawals from the fund, and to provide for the payment to them of at least one-half of the net income and annual payments.

The following tabular statement is interesting and suggestive, and for it the Committee is indebted to the courtesy of Mr. John I. Brower, Treasurer of General Synod, the preparation of it having involved considerable labor:

Payments by Ministers.	Collections and Donations.	Withdrawn by Annual Subscribers.	Paid to Annuitants.
\$18,849 50	\$9,459 74	\$7,065 10	\$19,754 43
Expenses.	Whole number Annuitants.	Deceased Annuitants.	Annuitants ceased by Marriage.
\$2,542 13	22	4	1
Present number of Annuitants.	Present number of Members.	Withdrawn from Principal.	
17	70	\$2,038 33	

It will thus be seen that 22 annuitants have received from this fund \$19,754 43. Who can estimate the amount of relief this sum has afforded? It is interesting to know that the whole sum which had been paid to entitle annuitants to this amount was only \$2,640 00, while in one case the payment of twenty dollars has enabled the widow to receive the sum of \$978 49; and in another the payment of \$100 enabled a widow to receive \$2,612; and in every instance but one the amount paid has been but trifling compared with the amount received; and it is apparent that if the practical working of this fund should in the future correspond with its theory, no more satisfactory investment could be made by any minister.

It is not within the province of your Committee to consider the propriety of the fund, or the principles upon which it was founded. Yet they cannot forbear saying that investigation has served to convince them not only of the importance of the object it was designed to secure, but of the wisdom of the general features of the plan; and while, on the one hand, it, from necessity, does not fully provide for the cases of those for whom the Sustentation Fund was designed, yet on the other hand it does enable those who can lay by five, ten, or twenty dollars a year, to provide a reliable mode of obtaining a certain amount of relief for themselves if disabled, and for their widows and young children after their death. An examination, too, of the names of the members and of the annuitants has furnished to them an answer to the remark that is sometimes made, that this fund only benefits those ministers whose means are adequate without aid from the fund.

In conclusion, your Committee would not only recommend this fund to the ministry, but would urge upon our Churches increased contributions to it.

In accordance with the foregoing suggestions, your Committee would recommend to the Synod the adoption of the following amendments to the plan of the "Relief Fund," provided the necessary consent can be obtained from the parties interested.

Amend the second paragraph of the plan as follows: Substitute in place of the clause commencing with the word "ministers interested in the fund," the following clauses: "Ministers interested in the fund, by the payment of an annual subscription, shall be at liberty to relinquish such interest by ceasing to make such annual payment; and they, as well as those who have heretofore ceased to make such payments, shall be entitled to receive seventy-five per cent. of the amount paid by them, without interest, by giving notice to the Treasurer nine months prior to the thirtieth day of April in each year, provided the amounts so to be paid shall not in the aggregate exceed one-half of the income of the current year; in which case one-half of such income shall be distributed pro rata among the applicants, and the balance due them shall be included among the applications for payments to be made at the close of the next fiscal year. Ministers who have made a payment of a principal sum, as above provided, may withdraw the amount of money actually paid by them, without interest, by giving nine months' notice to the Treasurer prior to the thirtieth day of April

in any year, and shall be entitled then to receive the same from the principal of the fund. Ministers leaving our Church shall be subjected to the same rule in the withdrawalment of their subscriptions."

Substitute in place of paragraph "3," the following: "One-half of the annual payments by ministers, and donations, when so specially directed by the donor, shall be considered income; the other half of the annual payments by ministers; all other donations and the collections in the Churches shall be considered principal, and the interest only used as income. There shall also be added to the principal, at the close of each fiscal year, out of the income, a sum equal to three per cent. of the principal sums standing to the credit of individual ministers, in consequence of payments made by them under the provisions of paragraph 2. Consistories or individuals may at their pleasure direct their contributions, collections, and donations to apply in whole or in part to the credit of any minister they may designate; but in such cases the same shall be considered as principal, and not thereafter withdrawn, unless otherwise directed at the time of payment."

All which is respectfully submitted.

JACOB B. JEWETT,	} Committee.
P. D. VROOM,	
SAMUEL B. SCHIEFFELIN,	
I. N. WYCKOFF,	
BENJAMIN C. TAYLOR,	

Dated May 27, 1861.

The Committee on the Widows' Fund presented their Report, which was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on the Widows' Fund respectfully report, that according to the statement of the Treasurer, the Fund now amounts to \$17,378.46.

There were added to the principal during the year, by cash received from churches and individuals, \$784.35.

Cash received from annual subscriptions amounts to....	\$640 00
Interest on invested Fund during the year....	1,171 96
Sum of income	1,811 96
Out of this has been paid to annuitants	1,053 71
Other expenses.....	154 36
Leaving in the Treasury a balance of.....	388 69

The following report has been received from the Committee of the last General Synod: (See above.)

In reference to the plan proposed by the Committee appointed by the last General Synod to devise measures for the greater stability and efficiency of the Widows' Fund, (of which Committee Jacob B. Jewett was chairman,) your present Committee beg leave to say that they have examined, as carefully as their time would permit, the amend-

ments suggested with respect to said Fund, for the purpose above mentioned, and submit the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the amendments to the plan of the Widows' Fund, recommended in the report of the committee appointed at the last meeting of General Synod, be adopted, provided the requisite consent of those interested in the Fund can be obtained.

2. *Resolved*, That the Board of Corporation be requested to take such measures as they may deem expedient to obtain the consent of those interested in the Fund, and to secure as speedy an adoption as is practicable of the proposed amendments.

Respectfully submitted.

JOHN T. DEMAREST.

ARTICLE XX.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Seventh Annual Report of the Board of Publication was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Publication.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Publication was received, and referred to the Committee on Publication.

The Committee on Publication reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee to whom were referred the papers relating to the Board of Publication respectfully report:

That the report and statement of the Corresponding Secretary, with the account current of the Treasurer, very fully and perspicuously present the position of the Board.

Of necessity, we must contemplate the operations of this Board in one aspect entirely on commercial principles, and in another, in the light of its glorious purposes, its bearing on the spiritual and eternal welfare of immortal souls.

THE COMMERCIAL OR BUSINESS ASPECT OF THIS BOARD.

The receipts of the Board from collections in forty-one Churches amount to \$338.⁰⁰/₁₀₀. This number of Churches is thirty-one less than in 1860, and the contributions are \$630.⁰⁰/₁₀₀ less than in the previous year.

The entire receipts from all sources amount to \$16,205.17, and the expenditures to \$16,476.80, leaving the treasury overdrawn \$271.63.

It is to be regretted that resort to borrowing on notes should have been so often necessary, and especially that the business of the Board has to be conducted on capital not owned by the Board. Yet, under the difficulties encountered during the few years of its existence, it is a matter of surprise that the indebtedness should not have been greater than it really is. This is very evident, when viewing

THE PUBLISHING DEPARTMENT.

The result of their labors the past year is 36,050 copies of books and tracts. The whole amounting to 8,105,200 pages. Among these are two editions of the Psalms and Hymns of the Reformed Dutch Church, the 18mo and 24mo sizes. These are offered in a greater variety of binding than ever before.

It, however, appears that only five *new* publications have been issued during the year. Not from lack of valuable matter prepared by the ministry of our Church and others, but for want of capital to do the work. The Board declining to publish any work for which the cost of the first edition was not provided.

While the Board have a mind to work, the Church has not sustained this department of her work to an extent equal to its claims, or to her wants.

CAPITAL INDISPENSABLE TO THE EFFICIENT OPERATIONS OF THE BOARD.

The need of capital is self-evident, and while the Synod owes a debt of gratitude to the friends of this cause, who have steadily supplied, either by gifts or loans, the funds which have hitherto been furnished, it is not to be expected that this should be continued for any great length of time. Indebtedness amounting to \$15,155.02 exists. Without relief, your Committee cannot see how this Board can successfully prosecute its labors, unless some increased demand should arise for its publications, turning them into money to be applied to the liquidation of existing indebtedness.

The Board presents a nominal balance in its favor of \$11,404.⁰⁰. But this balance is represented by store fixtures, stereotype plates and boxes, wood-cuts and electrotypes. And the inquiry here arises, Is this value real, or even estimated at what it would actually produce if forced to a sale? The deterioration by wear and tear of plates, and want of market for new editions of works, or even for editions on hand, compels a deduction from the estimated value of the balance referred to. Twenty-five per cent., it is understood, is deducted from the cost of the stereotype plates, wood-cuts, electrotypes, and other items of this balance, in making the estimate of present value. Doubtless there is a great difference in the value of the plates and electrotypes of different works. Those of the several sizes of the Psalms and Hymns, the Constitution of the Church, the elementary books for Sabbath and Parochial Schools, are of far greater value, because of the constant demand for these works, than those of volumes whose circulation is more limited, several of which may be issued in only one edition; and others of a local character, after passing through two or three editions, will be of no further use. Whether, therefore, on an average of value of all the works, the stock will not fall below the estimated value, is doubtful.

But it is easily ascertained that it is in the power of the Churches, ministers, and friends of the publication cause, to increase the value of the property of the Board by holding up to the people the worth of

the publications issued. Thus bringing before the public mind the usefulness of the works, augmenting their sale, and rendering future editions necessary.

THE CLAIMS OF THE BOARD UPON THE CHURCH.

This is not the time to make inquiry as to the wisdom of its being constituted. That point is settled, and God has set the seal of his approval upon it. While it is the privilege, the duty, and the honor of the Church to contribute her quota of the evangelical and doctrinal literature of the Church of Jesus Christ, the comparatively small proportion yet contributed has been, as we have reason to believe, blessed of God, in being sanctified to the salvation of sinners, the edification of saints, and the upbuilding of Zion. A blessing is in the Board. Destroy it not.

The Board has a claim to be put in working order, and as soon as the times will permit, should be supplied with an adequate capital on which to conduct its business.

It is also due to the Board that the Churches open facilities for the sale of their publications.

The following resolution is recommended for adoption:

Resolved, That the cause of the Board of Publication of the Reformed Dutch Church be renewedly and earnestly commended to our Churches, and that a collection be made annually in each Church in its behalf.

Respectfully submitted.

BENJAMIN C. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Publication whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were chosen: Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye, D.D., Isaac Ferris, D.D., G. McEkron, W. J. R. Taylor, D.D., F. M. Kip, D.D., Messrs. James A. Williamson, Peter Duryec, Richard Amerman.

ARTICLE XXI.

PARTICULARIA.

The Permanent Clerk having announced the severe illness of the Stated Clerk, and requested the appointment of some one of the members to assist in the performance of the duties of the Stated Clerk, on motion, it was

Resolved, That Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D., be appointed to assist the Permanent Clerk during the session of the Synod.

The Synod having received intelligence of the extreme illness of

their venerated Stated Clerk and brother beloved, Rev. Dr. Strong, on resolution, spent a season in prayer, imploring the blessing of the Lord upon his servant and his family in this trying hour.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to draft a minute expressive of the sentiment of this Synod in reference to the present condition of our national affairs.

The following Committee were appointed: Rev. Cornelius Van Santvoord, D.D., Jeremiah S. Lord, D.D. Elder, Samuel B. Schieffelin.

The Committee presented their report, which was accepted.

At this stage, it was moved and seconded, that the further consideration of the subject contained in the report be indefinitely postponed. The question being taken on this resolution, it was decided in the negative. The ayes and nays being called, were taken, and are as follows:

Ayes.—Thomas C. Strong, Samuel B. Schieffelin, John Van Nest, M. S. Hutton, Stephen Searle, Peter D. Vroom, B. C. Taylor, Stephen Garretson, William Demarest, James Huyssoon, James B. Wortendyke, John C. Lowe, Cornelius Van Cleef, Henry D. Varick, John A. Staats, John Gaston, Abel T. Stewart, Jas. B. Wilson, Henry Smock, Joseph Scudder, Jared Scudder, Josiah Jansen, Wm. W. Letson, Thomas L. Shafer, George H. Fisher, John Garretson, A. B. Van Zandt, John Steele, Ebenezer Lounsbury, A. D. Wilson, J. S. Joralmou, Ludovicus Viele, Philip Phelps, Peter J. Oggel.—34.

Nays.—Chas. M. Jameson, Jeremiah S. Lord, Thos. J. Emmons, A. Berky, Josiah W. Baker, M. T. Hewitt, H. V. Voorhees, Jno. A. Van Doren, Joseph Van Doren, Henry V. Hoagland, J. V. D. Hoagland, Cornelius H. Edgar, Edward F. Stewart, Hasbrouck Dubois, O. L. Wells, J. T. Demarest, D. D. Smith, A. Elmendorf, J. T. M. Davie, N. P. Pierce, John Burgess, Jas. Demarest, John N. Stearns, Geo. M. McEkron, Francis M. Kip, Walter Brett, John Van Liew, D. D. Demarest, A. H. Myers, John H. Pitcher, Thos. Huger, Isaac M. See, V. M. Hulbert, A. G. Stephens, Chas. Dusenberry, Ezra Collier, Ralph Willis, Jacob Van Vechten, H. Schnellendreussler, Francis Dyer, Wm. McElroy, Cornelius Blauvelt, John Minor, Joachim Elmendorf, Luther Laffin, Ransford Wells, Philip Furbeck, Simon J. Veeder, Cornelius E. Crispell, Edwin Vedder, David R. Warner, Peter Z. Swartz, John A. De Baun, Isaac G. Duryee, Wm. Hamilton, Jeremiah Searle, Theo. S. Comfort, Seth P. M. Hastings, Cyril Spaulding, Jas. Van Deusen, John W. Schenck, B. Bassler, Charles Wiley, O. H. Gregory, C. Van Santvoord, Jacob J. Lansing, B. C. Lippincott, Josiah Markle, John N. Jansen, Garret N. Rosa, William Bailey.—71.

The report was then adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee to whom was referred the matter of preparing a

minute expressive of the sentiment of this Synod touching the present troubled state of the country, would present the following:

Whereas, In the providence of God, our beloved country has been suffered to fall from a condition of large and exuberant prosperity, into the bitter and distressing experiences of civil war. *And whereas*, the Government, in the stern necessity forced upon it of maintaining by a resort to arms its rightful authority, is entitled, in this the hour of its sore trial and need, to the warm encouragement of all loyal and true hearts. *And whereas*, the Church of the Lord Jesus, while her mission is peace, and she proclaims peace and loves it, is bound by the allegiance she owes the Master and the truth, to support with all her potential influence the foundations of law and order, social, civil and religious, whenever these foundations are in danger of being shaken or overthrown. *And whereas*, the Reformed Dutch Church in America, sprung from, and bearing the honored name of that historic Church of the Fatherland which, three centuries ago, during all the terrible years of a struggle which has no parallel in the records of the world, sent forth with her benedictions and her prayers bands of her devoted children to lay down life, if necessary, in defence of country and of the principles of civil and religious liberty—would be untrue to the memory of the fathers, to the impressive teachings of history, to sacred trusts devolved, to lofty ideas transmitted, as well as to the sentiments inspired by the present perilous hour, were she to suppress her testimony, or speak only faintly in behalf of a cause with whose success her highest interests are interwoven: therefore, be it by this General Synod

1. *Resolved*, That our deep sympathies are with the Government in all its honest efforts to maintain the integrity of the Union, the Constitution, and the Laws.

2. *Resolved*, That the successful maintenance of these great trusts are, under God, our country's only safety for the present, and hope for the future, and that Christianity, not less than patriotism, applauds the costliest sacrifices required to make such consummation sure.

3. *Resolved*, That we deeply lament the necessity which has arrayed brethren in arms against each other, and bewail the sins, national and individual, which have justly provoked the Most High to visit us with this direful calamity; that we cherish no feelings of bitterness, wrath, or hatred towards those who are unhappily arrayed against us, and utterly repudiate the spirit of retaliation and revenge as entering into the elements of this deplorable contest. That we remember our brethren of all sections in our prayers, when we supplicate God in his mercy to remove his heavy pressing hand from us, and that, with unfaltering trust in the Divine guardian arm which has been around our beloved land in all past perils and distresses, we will still beseech him without ceasing, that with the speedy restoration of peace, the causes of our troubles may disappear, and our prosperity for the future be fixed upon an immovable basis.

C. VAN SANTVOORD,

Chairman of Committee.

The Rev. A. G. Ryerson, William D. Buckelew, John A. De Baun, and the Elders, J. V. D. Hoagland and Wm. Spader, were appointed a Committee of Canvass, to whom the ballots cast for filling vacancies in the several Boards of the Synod, for Corresponding Delegates, and for a person to preach on the Benevolent Operations of the Church, were committed; who reported the result of the election.

The communication containing the bequest of the Rev. Elias Van Benschoten was read.

A communication was received from the President of the Young Men's Christian Association, of Brooklyn, inviting the members of Synod to visit their rooms, and tendering to them the use of their library and periodicals during their sessions. Whereupon,

Resolved, That the invitation of the Young Men's Christian Association be accepted, and that the thanks of the Synod be returned for their politeness.

ARTICLE XXII.

BENEVOLENT AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

The Synod was addressed on the third day of the session by the Secretaries of the Board of Foreign Missions, the Board of Domestic Missions, and the Board of Sabbath-School Union, in relation to the interests of these several Boards.

The Committee on Nominations having reported double the number of persons from whom to elect an individual to preach a sermon upon the Benevolent Operations of the Synod, Synod proceeded to the election, when the Rev. Gabriel Ludlow, D.D., was chosen *Primarius*, and the Rev. Cornelius E. Crispell, *Secundus*.

On the afternoon of the sixth day of the session the Synod was addressed by Pastor Fisch, of Paris, on the subject of Evangelical Protestantism in France; by Rev. Dr. Baird, in behalf of the American and Foreign Christian Union; by Rev. Dr. Pinney, in behalf of the American Colonization Society; by Rev. Dr. Eastman, in behalf of the American Tract Society; and by Rev. Theodore Bourne, of the African Civilization Society; and also, on the morning of the eighth day of the session, by Rev. R. S. Cook, D.D., in behalf of the Sabbath movement.

Resolved, That this General Synod has heard with great pleasure and deep interest the statements of Rev. Dr. Cook on the subject of the efforts which have been made by the Sabbath Committee to rescue the Holy Sabbath from desecration and place it in its right position,

as a day which the God of this nation requires should be kept holy; that we rejoice in the blessed results of these efforts, and that the Reformed Dutch Church stands pledged and covenanted with God and man in favor of this work.

Resolved, That the Synod have heard with great gratification the statements of Pastor Fisch in regard to the Evangelical Churches in France. They would assure him of their deep interest in the subject, and their prayer is that he may have a pleasant voyage to his native land, and that the blessing of the Lord may rest upon his labors there, and upon the Churches which he represents.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the Churches to take up a collection in behalf of the American Colonization Society during the year, and if practicable about the fourth of July.

A sermon was preached on the evening of the seventh day of the session, on behalf of the "Benevolent Operations of the Church," by Rev. D. McL. Quackenbush, from *Revelations* 2:19: "I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works, and the last to be more than the first."

Resolved, That all the pastors and Churches in connection with the Synod are hereby earnestly requested to regard its injunction that the last Thursday of February be observed as a day of special prayer for colleges and seminaries of learning, and that the pastors of the various Churches preach upon the subject of education on the Sabbath previous thereto.

ARTICLE XXIII.

PASTORAL LETTER.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XXIV.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XXV.

ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Accounts reported, and their report was accepted, and is as follows:

The Committee on Accounts respectfully report to the Synod:

That there are in attendance upon this Synod six delegates from the

Far West, viz., two from the Classis of Holland, three from the Classis of Illinois, and one from the Classis of Michigan.

These brethren have fulfilled their appointment as delegates to this body, in expectation of receiving an appropriation towards the payment of expenses, similar to that granted to Western delegates last year.

Your Committee recommend an appropriation corresponding with that of last year, and to be distributed in like manner, viz.:

To the Classis of Holland.....	\$ 56 00
“ “ Michigan.....	28 00
“ “ Illinois.....	108 00
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	\$192 00

The following bills have been received:

Services of Sexton.....	\$12 00
Stationery and ice.....	4 29

The Committee recommend that these items of expense be paid.

Respectfully submitted.

R. WILLIS, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk publish 1,300 copies of the Minutes of this Synod, duly authenticated, and that he distribute among the Classes the number of copies directed by them, and that the price of each copy be printed on the cover.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod be presented to the Consistory of the Reformed Dutch Church on the Heights for the use of their church edifice during the session of the body.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be presented to the congregation of the Reformed Dutch Church on the Heights, and to the congregations of the other Reformed Dutch Churches in Brooklyn and its vicinity, for the very cordial and generous hospitalities rendered to the members of Synod during the session now about to close.

Resolved, That our thanks be given to the Church on the Heights for the kind provision made by them for an excursion of the members of Synod to Greenwood.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod, the Roll was called at the close of the session, when it appeared that the Rev. W. W. Hal-
loway, John Gaston, Edward P. Stimpson, and the Elders, Josiah

Baker, M. T. Hewitt, John Burgess, Richard Remsen, Isaac E. Bergen, John G. Keeler, Barnet Johnson, Harvey D. Platt, and Gabriel P. Reeve, were absent without permission.

The Minutes were read and approved.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

Resolved, That the next Stated Session of the General Synod be held in the Reformed Dutch Church of Syracuse.

Synod adjourned, to meet in the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Syracuse, on the first Wednesday of June, 1862, at 10 o'clock, A. M., and was closed with singing and prayer, and pronouncing the apostolic benediction by the President.

C. VAN CLEEF, *President*.

A. B. VAN ZANDT, *Adressor*.

JOHN STEELE,

CORNELIUS L. WELLS, } *Clerks pro tem*.

DAVID D. DEMAREST, }

THOMAS C. STRONG, *Permanent Clerk*.

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THOS. M. STRONG, *Stated Clerk*,

Per THOMAS C. STRONG.

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" W. J. R. Taylor, D.D.,	" Wm. B. Crosby,
" D. McL. Quackenbush,	" John T. Moore.

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" Wm. H. Steele,	Mr. Sanford Cobb, Jr.,
" John B. Alliger,	" A. B. Preston,
" John De Witt, D.D.,	" Ralph Wells.

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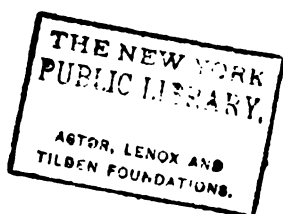
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Formation of Synod.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef, the President of the last General Synod, who preached a sermon on the evening of the first day of the session, from Isaiah 57: 19. "*When the enemy shall come in like a flood the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him.*"

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

From the Particular Synod of New York.

1. *From Classis of New York.*—Rev. Enoch Van Aken, ⁴Peter Stryker, ²Hervey D. Ganse. *Elders*—Louis J. Belloni, Abraham B. Demarest, ¹Thomas Jeremiah.

2. *From South Classis of New York.*—⁴Rev. C. D. Murray, Thomas H. Skinner, Jr., ²Edward W. Hitchcock.

1. Took his seat on the second day of the session.
2. Took his seat on the sixth day of the session.
3. Obtained leave of absence after third day of the session.
4. Obtained leave of absence after fourth day of the session.
5. Obtained leave of absence after sixth day of the session.

3. *From Classis of Bergen*.—Rev. William R. Gordon, ¹ William V. V. Mabon, ¹ Leopold Mohn. *Elders*—J. D. Demarest, ¹ Michael Fisher.

4. *From Classis of New Brunswick*.—Rev. J. B. Thompson, David Cole, ² John DeWitt. *Elders*—J. V. D. Hoagland, J. V. A. Merrill, ¹ David G. Thomas.

5. *From Classis of Raritan*.—Rev. Henry P. Thompson, P. M. Doolittle. *Elders*—B. B. Smith, B. V. Van Arsdale.

6. *From Classis of Passaic*.—Rev. John Gaston, ² P. Stryker Talmage.

7. *From Classis of Paramus*.—Rev. John Manley, Isaac D. Cole, Alex. McKelvy.

8. *From South Classis of Long Island*.—Rev. N. E. Smith, J. M. Van Buren, ² J. H. Manning. *Elders*—F. J. Hosford, ² Thomas G. Talmage, ² George Pool.

9. *From North Classis of Long Island*.—Rev. Ira C. Boice, John McC. Holmes, ⁶ W. H. Ten Eyck. *Elders*—⁶ William Ferris, William Phraner.

10. *From Classis of Poughkeepsie*.—Rev. S. Van Vechten, C. Van Cleef. *Elders*—Wm. H. Crosby, Jacob B. Jewett.

11. *From Classis of Philadelphia*.—¹ Rev. William J. R. Taylor, ¹ Theodore B. Romeyn. *Elder*—² Martin Nevius.

12. *From Classis of Hudson*.—Rev. Charles I. Shepard. *Elders*—⁶ John C. Newkirk, ² James Ham.

13. *From Classis of Westchester*.—Rev. Polhemus Van Wyck, ¹ John A. Todd. *Elders*—William See, Richard Walsh.

14. *From Classis of Monmouth*.—Rev. Garret C. Schenck. *Elder*—John Baird.

15. *From Classis of Arcot*.—⁴ Rev. Joseph Scudder.

From the Particular Synod of Albany.

1. *From Classis of Albany*.—Rev. John Simonson, ¹ A. V. Gulick, ¹ I. N. Wyckoff.

1. Took his seat on the second day of the session.

2. Took his seat on the third day of the session.

3. Took his seat on the fourth day of the session.

4. Took his seat on the sixth day of the session.

5. Took his seat on the seventh day of the session.

6. Obtained leave of absence after sixth day of the session.

7. Obtained leave of absence after seventh day of the session.

2. *From Classis of Schenectady*.—Rev. W. F. Schwilk, D. B. Hall. *Elders*—A. V. P. Lansing, J. J. Marlett, ¹ Caspar F. Hoag.

3. *From Classis of Rennselaer*.—³ Rev. J. H. Van Woert, ⁴ B. F. Snyder, J. Romeyn Berry. *Elders*—⁴ Hiram Lapham, ⁴ Peter G. Ten Eyck, Lawrence Van Dyck.

4. *From Classis of Schoharie*.—Rev. E. Vedder. *Elders*—Chester Posson, ¹ J. W. Redington.

5. *From Classis of Ulster*.—Rev. J. C. F. Hoes, N. F. Chapman. *Elders*—² Abram M. France, C. P. Myer.

6. *From Classis of Montgomery*.—Rev. J. Knieskern, J. J. Quick, A. H. Van Vranken. *Elders*—John Markell, ¹ William Knox.

7. *From Classis of Cayuga*.—Rev. John Garretson, F. V. Van Vranken. *Elders*—N. F. Graves, George Bull, Noah Merriam.

8. *From Classis of Orange*.—Rev. J. B. Ten Eyck, E. W. Bentley, ² G. Henry Mandeville. *Elders*—John Lyon, Thomas Jessup.

9. *From Classis of Greene*.—Rev. J. A. Lansing, C. Rockwell. *Elders*—¹ J. H. Snyder, ¹ A. Van Vechten.

10. *Classis of Geneva*.—Rev. Geo. J. Van Neste, John L. See, A. F. Todd. *Elder*—J. J. Knight.

11. *Classis of Kingston*.—Rev. C. Wyckoff, J. A. Collier. *Elders*—George Harnden, Peter Crispell.

12. *Classis of Saratoga*.—Rev. O. H. Gregory, ¹ James Stephenson, ¹ J. W. Major, ⁶ *Elders*—Louis Rosseau, ⁶ William Noyes.

From the Particular Synod of Chicago.

1. *From Classis of Michigan*.—¹ Rev. H. Heermance.

2. *From Classis of Illinois*.—¹ Rev. E. P. Livingston. *Elder*—¹ J. Tremper.

3. *From Classis of Holland*.—¹ Rev. C. Van Der Meulen.

4. *From Classis of Wisconsin*.—¹ Rev. J. Van Der Meulen.

ARTICLE III.

M O D E R A T O R S .

The Rev. John Garretson, D.D., was chosen *President*; Rev. Ira C. Boice, *Adessor*; and the Rev. Messrs. J. McC. Holmes and G. Henry Mandeville, *Clerks pro tem*.

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1. Took his seat on the second day of the session.
 2. Took his seat on the seventh day of the session.
 3. Obtained leave of absence after third day of the session.
 4. Obtained leave of absence after the fourth day of the session.
 5. Obtained leave of absence after seventh day of session.
 6. Obtained leave of absence after eighth day of the session.

Previous to the election of the above officers, the President of the Synod read a communication from Rev. Thomas C. Strong, D.D., resigning his office of Permanent Clerk, and also announcing the death of the late Stated Clerk, Rev. T. M. Strong, D.D., whereupon Rev. G. Henry Mandeville was appointed Temporary Clerk. It was resolved that the election of Stated Clerk be made the order of the day for the second day of the session, at 11 o'clock A. M.

ARTICLE IV.

READING OF THE MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last Ordinary Session of Synod were read.

Acts of the Synod.

ARTICLE I.

ORDERS AND RULES.

These were read.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed :

On Professorate.—Rev. J. C. F. Hoes, D.D., O. H. Gregory, D.D., C. Van Cleef. Elders, J. B. Jewett, F. J. Hosford.

On Synodical Minutes.—Rev. I. D. Cole, P. Van Wyck, J. J. Quick. Elders, J. V. D. Hoagland, P. G. Ten Eyck.

On Domestic Missions.—Rev. J. A. Collier, J. Gaston, C. I. Shepard. Elders, L. Van Dyck, J. V. A. Merrill.

On Foreign Missions.—Rev. J. R. Berry, D. B. Hall, E. Van Aken. Elders, J. Jessup, L. Rosseau.

On the State of Religion.—Rev. W. R. Gordon, D.D., S. Van Vechten, N. F. Chapman. Elders, J. D. Demarest, E. M. France.

On Education.—Rev. J. A. Lansing, D.D., P. M. Doolittle, T. H. Skinner, Jr. Elders, W. Phraner, A. B. Demarest.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.—Rev. J. B. Ten Eyck, J. H. Van Woert, J. Knieskern. Elders, C. Posson, H. Merriam.

On the Widows' Fund.—Rev. I. N. Wyckoff, D.D., H. Thompson, E. W. Bentley. Elders, W. Ferris, J. J. Knight.

On Publication.—Rev. J. A. Todd, E. Vedder, A. McKelvy. Elders, W. H. Crosby, P. Crispell.

On Nominations.—Rev. N. E. Smith, W. H. Ten Eyck, P. Stryker. Elders, L. J. Belloni, G. Harnden.

On Correspondence.—Rev. G. J. Van Neste, J. M. Van Beuren, J. Simonson. Elders, N. F. Graves, A. V. P. Lansing.

On Accounts.—Rev. B. F. Snyder, C. Wyckoff, F. V. Van Vranken. Elders, R. Walsh, J. Baird.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following report was received from the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, which was read, and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY TO GENERAL SYNOD.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary met in the Chapel of Peter Hertzog Hall, on Tuesday, May 20th, 1862, at 12 o'clock M., and adjourned on Thursday, at 5 o'clock P.M. The Rev. John Garretson, D.D., President of the last meeting, opened the session with prayer. The following members were present:

Rev. H. D. Ganse,	from the Classis of New York.
“ M. S. Hutton, D.D.,	“ South Classis of New York.
“ John De Witt, D.D.,	“ Classis of New Brunswick.
“ Gustavus Abeel, D.D.,	“ “ Bergen.
“ J. H. Manning,	“ South Classis of Long Island.
“ Wm. W. Halloway,	“ North Classis of Long Island.
“ Samuel Van Vechten,	“ Classis of Poughkeepsie.
“ Wm. J. R. Taylor, D.D.,	“ Philadelphia.
“ P. S. Talmage,	“ Passaic.
“ D. D. Demarest, D.D.,	“ Hudson.
“ James Bolton,	“ Westchester.
“ Wm. Reiley,	“ Monmouth.
“ John Simonson,	“ Albany.
“ John Kneiskern,	“ Montgomery.
“ H. A. Raymond,	“ Schoharie.
“ John Garretson, D.D.,	“ Cayuga.
“ Charles Scott,	“ Orange.
“ Wm. E. Turner,	“ Greene.
“ B. C. Lippincott,	“ Kingston.
“ John Steele,	“ Saratoga.

Rev. John W. Schenck,	from the Classis of Geneva.
" Edwd. P. Livingston,	" " Illinois.
" John F. Mesick, D.D.,	" " Raritan.
" John Gosman, D.D.,	" " Ulster.

The following Classes were not represented, viz: Paramus, Schenectady, Michigan, Holland, Wisconsin, Arcot and Rensselaer. The Classis of Wisconsin has had no representative appointed for several years.

The seats of the following members become vacant, and are to be filled at this meeting of General Synod, viz :

H. D. Ganse,	William Demarest,
John Gosman, D.D.,	John Garretson, D.D.,
Wm. E. Turner,	Benj. C. Lippincott,
and Peter G. Oggel.	

The Board was organized by the election of Rev. Gustavus Abeel, D.D., President, and Rev. John Steele, Clerk. The sermon was preached on the evening of the first day of the session by the Rev. John Garretson, D.D., from Ezek. 2: 5. The address to the students was delivered at the close of the examinations on Thursday by Rev. H. D. Ganse.

From the report of the Faculty, it appeared that the following students have been in attendance during the past year :

Senior Class.

T. Romeyn Beck,	Abraham Mattice,
H. W. Brandt,	Alonzo P. Peeke,
J. R. Brock,	J. Kelly Rhinehart,
Marcus Burr,	Samuel J. Rogers,
Isaac H. Collier,	H. R. Schermerhorn,
William Cornell,	A. J. Sebring,
T. Sandford Doolittle,	John Van Der Meulen,
Jacob Fehrman,	R. M. Whitbeck,
Gilbert S. Garretson,	F. F. Wilson,
Uriah D. Gulick,	William A. Wurts..... 21
John R. Matthews,	

Middle Class.

William H. Ballagh,	Wm. H. Phraner,
J. W. Beardslee,	Wm. J. Skillman,
Francis M. Bogardus,	J. H. Van Doren,
W. E. Bogardus,	Dupuytren Vermilye,
Richard De Witt,	H. M. Voorhees,
Julius W. Geyer,	Wm. B. Voorhees,
A. J. Hageman,	Charles W. Wilson,
John H. Karsten,	Egbert Winter,
James Lyell,	Jeremiah L. Zabriskie..... 18

Junior Class.

Benjamin A. Bartholf,	Abm. Messler Quick,
G. De Witt Bodine,	Nathan M. Sherwood,
J. W. Borst,	W. B. Van Benschoten,
D. Brock,	Thornton Van Vliet,
Solomon T. Cole,	Wm. A. Van Wagenen,
Thomas S. Dusenberre,	James Wyckoff,
John Garretson,	Wm. P. Zabriskie..... 15
Chester D. Harttrauft,	
Abraham Thompson, resident licentiate	1
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Whole number.....	55

Mr. Brandt, of the Senior Class, was absent from the last examination, having been in the army. He rejoined his class not long after the opening of the session in September last.

Of the Junior Class, Mr. Van Vliet was compelled by ill health to leave almost immediately after the opening of the term, when he hoped to be able to resume his studies.

The Faculty state that the conduct of the students, as far as known to them, has been consistent with their relations to the Church of God; that meetings for prayer have been well attended, and that many of them have been active in Sabbath schools and other such associations.

That none of the Graduating Class are expecting to go to the Foreign Missionary field is doubtless owing to the fact that means are not provided for sending such as already are waiting to be sent out.

The examinations were well sustained by the students, and afforded evidence of the ability and fidelity of the Professors.

The members of the Senior Class were heard in the delivery of specimen sermons, and were also examined on personal religion, and their views in entering the Gospel ministry. Their examinations were approved, and they were all unanimously recommended to the Faculty for their professoral certificates.

All the students of the Seminary were interrogated, in obedience to the injunction of General Synod, on the subject of preaching, when it was found that there had been no violations of the Law of Synod.

The Committee notice with great satisfaction the efforts of the Faculty to procure portraits of all the deceased Professors of the Seminary, and we cordially recommend this praiseworthy tribute of affection to our sainted dead to the coöperation of all the friends of the Church and the "School of the Prophets."

An admirable likeness of the late Professor Van Vranken has been presented by the First Church of Freehold, of which, for twenty years, he was pastor. We suggest the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board of Superintendents are hereby returned to the First Church of Freehold, and to the Rev. Ralph Willis, its Pastor, for the excellent portrait of the late Rev. Dr. Van Vranken, which, through their affectionate liberality now adorns the walls of the Chapel of the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall.

The following action was taken in reference to the death of the Hon. James Neilson, of New Brunswick :

Resolved, That this Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, have heard with regret the announcement of the death of the late Hon. James Neilson, whose timely and munificent gift of nearly all the land on which the Theological Hall is located, has enrolled his name among the permanent benefactors of the Seminary and the Church.

Resolved, That we also hereby express our Christian sympathy with the bereaved family of the deceased, in their loss of one whose domestic worth and public services have adorned his name with many honors.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk transmit a certified copy of this action to the family of Mr. Neilson, and that the same be published in the *Christian Intelligencer* and the *New Brunswick Fredonian*.

The attention of Synod is invited to the following resolution :

Resolved, That the General Synod be respectfully requested to rescind that part of the second section of the second article of the plan of the Theological School, adopted June, 1828, by which a sermon is required to be preached by a member of the Board during each of its sessions.

In concluding their report, the Board gratefully record that continued evidence has been given of prosperity in our "School of the Prophets," which ought to recommend the Seminary to the affection, confidence, and liberality of the Churches.

JOHN GOSMAN, *Chairman*.

A true copy from the minutes.

P. D. VAN CLEEF, *Stated Clerk*.

A memorial from the Classis of Arcot was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A communication from the Classis of Bergen, on Education, was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A communication from the Classis of Westchester, with reference to a tri-centennial celebration of the adoption by our Church of the Belgic Confession of Faith, was received, read, and referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. Wm. R. Gordon, D.D., John Gaston and J. Romeyn Berry.

A communication from the Committee of the Synod to confer with the Trustees of Rutgers College was received, and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from George A. Mills, a member of the junior class in Rutgers College, asking for a dispensation from General Synod, was read and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from the Consistory of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Newburgh, N. Y., extending an invitation to the General Synod to hold their annual Session in 1863 in their Church.

It was resolved that the invitation be accepted.

Communications were received from the Classes of Greene and Philadelphia with reference to assessments by General Synod for contingent expenses, which were referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

An invitation to visit the New York Asylum for Idiots was received from the Superintendent.

Resolved, That the Synod returns thanks to the Superintendent of the Asylum for Idiots in Syracuse, for his kind invitation to visit that Institution, and that we accept it for the afternoon of Wednesday at half-past two o'clock, and that as many of the members as can conveniently do so, be requested to attend at that time.

A communication was received from the Agent of the St. Lawrence Steamboat Company, offering passage on favorable terms to members of the Synod.

Resolved, That the kindness of the Company be acknowledged by the Synod.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF CORPORATION.

The following report of the Board of Direction of the Corporation was received, accompanied with the Treasurer's Report, the Annual Digest, a list of the Securities held by the Board, a list of the clerical subscribers to the Widows' Fund and the Board of Education, together with the report of John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, in relation to the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church:

The Board of Direction respectfully report that it has pleased the Great Head of the Church to remove by death one of their number, the Hon. Theodore Frelinghuysen; and while they bow in submission to the Divine will, they cannot avoid expressing their sincere sorrow that they have been deprived of the presence and counsel of their beloved associate. Assured of the deep sympathy of the whole Church in the removal of this excellent man, they would only apply to him the inspired language and say that he, after he had served his own generation, fell on sleep. He has left to us a bright example and many pleasant memories.

The peculiar and unhappy state of our beloved country has prevented the Board from pressing on the Churches the plan of raising a Permanent Contingent Fund, and, in consequence, the small sum of \$108 only has been contributed to it. The amount of the Fund is now \$1,163 15.

The Widows' Fund amounts to \$17,953 95. The amount of collections from churches, and donations from individuals during the past year, is \$575 49; in this amount is included a legacy and interest thereon from the late Mrs. Mary W. Thompson, amounting to \$117 50; there is also included the sum of \$160, being the amount of annual subscriptions due to three subscribers who have left our Church and generously donated said amount to the Fund.

The amount withdrawn this year and paid out of the annual income is \$1,680. One subscriber to the Fund has withdrawn his whole subscription of \$500, and which, according to the rules, has been paid out of the principal of the Fund. There has been received, however, a subscription of \$500, constituting a full membership of the Fund.

There are now remaining fifty-seven subscribers to the Fund, and the sum of \$501 17 has been paid this year to annuitants.

In accordance with the resolution of General Synod, the Board have taken measures to obtain the consent of those interested in the Fund to the proposed amendments adopted at the last meeting of General Synod, and would report that all have not yet consented.

Pursuant to a resolution of General Synod, the title of the property belonging to Synod at its Foreign Missionary stations, known as the Amoy Mission in China and the Arcot Mission in India, have been conveyed to the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.

A loan made by the Board of Domestic Missions to the First Reformed Dutch Church at Grand Rapids, Michigan, has been paid out of the Church Building Fund.

The following Classes are still in arrears for assessments for the contingent expenses of General Synod, viz:

South Classis of New York.....	\$32 50
Classis of Philadelphia.....	56 00
“ Paramus.....	79 50
“ Passaic.....	115 50
“ Poughkeepsie.....	105 00
“ Ulster.....	76 01
“ Rensselaer.....	78 00
“ Albany.....	193 50
“ Saratoga.....	70 50
“ Schenectady.....	118 50
“ Montgomery.....	87 50
“ Cayuga.....	110 00
“ Geneva.....	29 85
“ Schoharie.....	23 34
“ Michigan.....	15 00
Total.....	<hr/> \$1,190 70

The amount received for contingent expenses of Synod during the year is \$1,513 73, while the amount paid out during the same period is \$1,817 93, as will appear from the Report of the Treasurer, which is herewith submitted.

All which is respectfully submitted.

W. B. CROSBY, *President.*
 JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*
 M. S. HUTTON, }
 P. R. WARNER, } *Directors.*

NEW YORK, May 30th, 1862.

Treasurer's Annual Account.

*The General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in
Account with JOHN I. BROWER, Treasurer.*

1861.		Dr.	\$	cta.
		Cash paid the following persons for six months' annuity from the Widows' Fund, due 1st inst.:		
May	9	Mrs. Jane Hunt.....	\$7 13	
		" Eleanor Westfall.....	7 13	
		" Maria Rudy.....	14 25	
		" Maria Lansing.....	14 25	
		" Catharine E. Van Wagenen	19 00	
		" Harriet V. V. Mabon.....	19 00	
		" Esther S. Winfield.....	19 00	
		" Caroline Hoff.....	19 00	
		" Esther Hammond.....	19 00	
		" Lydia M. W. Sluyter.....	19 00	
		" Mary A. Van Liew.....	19 00	
		Rev. John Gray.....	19 00	
		" Samuel Harlow.....	19 00	
		" R. W. Knight.....	19 00	
		Mr. John F. Ward, M.D., guardian for three minor children of the late Rev. James Scott, D.D.....	21 39	
				254 15
June	5	" the following Professors in the Theological College, for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst, viz:		
		Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D..	\$525 00	
		" S. M. Woodbridge, D.D..	450 00	
				975 00
	7	" Rev. Abm. Mealer, D.D., for expenses in attending the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church as Corresponding Delegate.....		9 37
	8	" the following Insurance Companies for insurance on the Peter Hertzog Hall, viz:		
		Washington Ins. Co., on \$5,000	\$37 50	
		Manhattan " on 5,000	37 50	
		N. Brunswick " on 5,000	37 50	
				112 50
		Carried forward.....	1,351	02

1861.		Dr.	\$	cts
		Brought forward.....	1,351	02
June	8	Cash paid Mrs. Catherine Murphy, amount of appropriation from the Sustenation Fund	50	00
	10	" Rev. Cornelius Blauvelt, the amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn.....	120	00
		" the following Delegates for traveling expenses, in attending the meeting of General Synod this month, viz:		
	13	Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., from Classis of Holland.....\$28 00		
		Rev. Peter J. Oggel, from Classis of Holland..... 28 00		
	14	Rev. John S. Joralmon, from Classis of Illinois..... 36 00		
		Rev. A. D. Wilson, from Classis of Illinois..... 36 00		
		Elder L. S. Viele, from Classis of Illinois..... 36 00		
		Rev. Wm Bailey, from Classis of Michigan..... 28 00		
	26	" Rev. P. D. Van Cleef, for one year's salary as Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents.....\$25 00		
		For expenses of the Board.... 2 50		
	28	" the Board of Education of the R. P. Dutch Church, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer: For six months' interest to 4th inst, on amount of invested Scholarships.....\$1,365 00		
		For six months' dividend on 54 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co..... 162 00		
			1,527	00
July	19	" the Home Insurance Co., for insurance on the parsonage dwelling-house at Alexandria, N. Y.....	3	15
	25	" Mrs. Mary B. Van Vranken, amount of one quarter's salary, which would have been due on the 1st of June to her husband, the late Rev. Saml. A. Van Vranken, D.D.....	450	00
	27	" the Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer: Proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.....\$160 00		
		Amount received from Samuel B. Schieffelin to aid the Parochial School Fund... 100 00		
			260	00
		Carried forward.....	3,980	67

1861.	Dr.	\$	cts.
	Brought forward.....	3,980	67
July 30	Cash paid Rev. Thos. C. Strong, D.D., for expenses in attending the meeting of General Synod in June, 1861, as Permanent Clerk...		5 00
	“ Mrs. Elizabeth C. Strong, Executrix, for one year's salary, to June, 1861, of the late Rev. Thos. M. Strong, D.D., late Stated Clerk of General Synod. \$150 00 For postage..... 1 05		151 05
	“ Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D., Treasurer of the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall: For two years' salary of the Janitor of the Hall, to Oct. 16, 1861. \$200 00 For fuel for same time..... 40 00		240 00
	“ for funeral expenses of the late Rev. Saml. A. Van Vranken, D.D., as follows, viz: N. B. Dehart, Undertaker..... \$79 00 Abm. Oakley, Sexton..... 16 00 Dayton, Stoddard & Smith, for gloves..... 12 10		107 10
August 20	“ the North River Ins. Co., for insurance on the furniture and library in the Peter Hertzog Hall.....		30 00
23	“ James Mulligan, Sexton, for services at the meeting of General Synod in June last, at Brooklyn.....		13 29
Sept. 3	“ the following Professors, for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst., viz: Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D.. \$525 00 “ S. M. Woodbridge, D.D.. 450 00		975 00
Nov. 5	“ the following persons, for six months' annuity from Widows' Fund, due 1st inst.: Mrs. Jane Hunt..... \$7 13 “ Maria Rudy..... 14 25 “ Maria Lansing..... 14 25 “ Lydia M. W. Sluyter..... 19 00 “ Harriet V. V. Mabon..... 19 00 “ Catharine E. Van Wagenen 19 00 “ Esther S. Winfield..... 19 00 “ Caroline Hoff..... 19 00 “ Esther Hammond..... 19 00 “ Mary A. Van Liew..... 19 00 “ Jane Harlow..... 19 00 Rev. John Gray..... 19 00 “ R. W. Knight..... 19 00 Mr. John F. Ward, M.D., guardian for three minor children of the late Rev. James Scott, D.D..... 21 89		247 02
	Carried forward.....	5,749	18

1861.	Dr.	\$	¢
	Brought forward.....	5,749	13
Nov. 25	Cash paid for note due this day.....\$300 00		
	" for interest on the same....., 14 27	814	27
	" Rev. John Gray, amount of appropriation from the Sustentation Fund.....	50	00
26	" the Board of Domestic Missions, per L. J. Belloni, Treasurer, amount of income to Oct. 1st of a portion of the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, directed to be paid for the support of the Domestic Missions of the Ref. P. Dutch Church.	168	58
Dec. 5	" the following Professors, for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst., viz: Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D..\$525 00 " S. M. Woodbridge, D.D.. 450 00 " Joseph F. Berg, D.D.... 450 00	1,425	00
6	" amount of loan made by the Board of Domestic Missions, from the Church Building Fund, to the First Refd. P. D. Church at Grand Rapids, Mich., on bond of Trustees of said Church, secured by a mortgage on said premises	400	00
7	" for expenses in packing and removing furniture, &c., of the Rev. J. F. Berg, D.D., from Philadelphia to New Brunswick, viz: To David Bishop, Esq.....\$81 19 To Daniel S. Jones, Esq..... 68 81	150	00
10	" Rev. G. Van Dewall, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund and now withdrawn, per order.....	40	00
24	" Mrs. Catherine Murphy, amount of appropriation from the Sustentation Fund	50	00
	" James C. Bergen, for repairs to stable connected with the east wing of Rutgers College.....	63	80
	" John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, for one year's interest to June 20th, 1861, on the Henry Rutgers donation of \$5,000 to said College.....	300	00
30	" Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer: For six months' interest to 4th inst. on amount of invested Scholarships.....\$1,385 00 For six months' dividend on 52 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co..... 182 00	1,567	00
	Carried forward.....	10,777	78

1862.		Dr.	\$	cts
		Brought forward.....	10,777	78
Jan.	8	Cash paid the Board of Domestic Missions, amount of bequest of George Newkirk, late of Bergen, N. J., deceased.....	400	00
	15	" the following Insurance Co., for insurance on Rutgers College, viz: Greenwich Ins. Co., on \$5,000..\$27 00 North River " on 3,000.. 18 00	45	00
	28	" Rev. Nicholas D. Williamson (per order), amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn.....	200	00
Feb.	4	" Rev. Joseph A. Collier, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn.....	40	00
	13	" Rev. Oscar H. Gregory, D.D., amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn..	240	00
	20	" James H. Sillocks, for a tomb for the late Rev. Saml. A. Van Vranken, D.D....	113	12
March	12	" the following Professors, for one quarter's salary due 1st inst., viz: Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D..\$525 00 " Joseph F. Berg, D.D.... 450 00 " S. M. Woodbridge, D.D.. 450 00	1,425	00
	26	" Rev. James M. Compton, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn.....	220	00
	28	" Rev. Saml. M. Woodbridge, D.D., amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn..	500	00
April	5	" the following Clergymen, the amounts heretofore paid by them into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn, viz: Rev. James R. Lente.....\$40 00 " William Demarest..... 40 00 " Ralph Willis.....140 00	320	00
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	14	" the Home Ins. Co., for insurance on the Holland Academy, Michigan.....	62	50
	24	" for note due this day.....\$700 00 For interest on do..... 5 77	705	77
	25	" for note due this day.....\$700 00 For interest on do..... 7 12	707	12
	26	" Rev. Isaac Ferris, D.D., the amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, but now withdrawn.....	440	00
	30	" John A. Gray, for letter circulars for the Widows' Fund.....	5	50
		Carried forward.....	16,101	79

1862.	Dr.	\$	¢
	Brought forward.....	16,101	79
April 30	Cash paid the Board of Publication, per Wm. Ferris, Agent, for 1,800 copies of Minutes of General Synod for 1861.....\$256 45 For interest on do..... 8 98 For Constitutions, Paper, &c. 3 55		
		268	98
	" the Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.....\$188 50 Amount of contribution of Saml. B. Schieffelin, for Parochial School purposes 100 00		
		288	50
	" the following Clergymen, the amounts heretofore paid by them into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn, viz: Rev. John Lillie.....\$20 00 " John Nott..... 20 00 " John Abeel Baldwin.....120 00		
		160	00
	" John I. Brower, as follows, viz: For one year's salary to this date as Treasurer of General Synod.....\$450 00 For Postage, Stationery, and Discount on Uncurrent Funds 11 84		
		\$461	84
	For one year's salary for the management of the Widows' Fund...\$150 00 For Postage, Station- ery, &c..... 7 28		
		157	28
		619	12
		\$17,433	39
	Balance on hand carried to new account.....	1,189	42
	Total.....	\$18,622	81

1861.		Cr.	\$	cts
April	30	By balance from last account.....	186	52
May	1	By cash received for six months' interest to April 28th on two bonds of \$6,500 each.....	455	00
	11	" " for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	175	00
	17	" " for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	150	00
		" " for six months' interest to 16th inst. on bond of \$12,000.....	420	00
		" " for one year's interest to 1st inst. on \$5,000, subscription of the Collegiate Refd. Dutch Church to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	300	00
	24	" " for six months' interest to 2d inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	70	00
		" " for six months' interest to 2d inst. on \$1,000 balance of bond....	35	00
June	1	" " for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$20,000.....	600	00
	8	" " from P. V. N Morris for the Sustentation Fund.....\$5 00 For the Church Building Fund..... 5 00	10	00
	5	" " for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of \$7,500 each... from the following persons, for one year's interest to May 1st on their subscriptions to the Permanent Fund of General Synod, viz: David W. Wetmore....\$30 00 Thomas C. Doremus.... 30 00 Estate of Cornelius Dur- yee, per George W. Jewett, Executor..... 15 00 Samuel Smith, Esq..... 15 00	90	00
	14	" " for six months' interest to 6th inst. on bond of \$10,000.....	350	00
	17	" " for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of the New York and New Haven Railroad, of \$1,000 each.....	70	00
	21	" " from South Dutch Church, New York, for the Church Building Fund.....	33	27
	24	" " for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$9,000.....	315	00
	27	" " for six months' dividend on 54 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.	162	00
		Carried forward.....	3,946	79

1861.		Cr.	\$	¢
		Brought forward.....	3,946	79
June	28	By cash received from Refd. Dutch Church, Princetown, N. Y., for the Permanent Contingent Fund of General Synod.....		8 00
July	9	“ “ for proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co....	160	00
	12	“ “ for six months' interest to May 21st on \$6,000, balance of bond	180	00
August	5	“ “ for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$5,000.....	175	00
		“ “ for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$4,000.....	140	00
	23	“ “ borrowed from James L. Schiefelin on note of the Treasurer..	800	00
	31	“ “ for six months' interest to Sept. 1st on \$3,750, balance of bond	131	25
Sept.	2	“ “ four months and four days' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$2,800	57	86
		“ “ four months and four days' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$2,000	48	22
	19	“ “ from the Collegiate Refd. Dutch Churches for the Sustentation Fund.....	95	18
Oct.	7	“ “ for six months' interest to May 1, 1861, on \$5,000, balance of bond	175	00
	15	“ “ for six months' interest to 16th inst. on \$4,000, balance of bond	140	00
	19	“ “ from Jacob Brouwer, Executor of the Estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, amount of income from a portion of said estate directed to be paid for the support of the Domestic Missions of the Refd. P. Dutch Church....	168	58
	22	“ “ for six months' interest to 21st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	175	00
	28	“ “ for six months' interest to 22d inst. on two bonds amounting to \$5,250.....	183	75
	24	“ “ for six months' interest to 23d inst. on three bonds amounting to \$11,000.....	385	00
	25	“ “ for six months' interest to 10th inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	70	00
	31	“ “ one month and twenty-six days' interest to 27th inst. on bond of \$2,800.....	26	13
		“ “ one month and twenty-six days' interest to 27th inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	21	77
Nov.	16	“ “ for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	175	00
		Carried forward.....	7,262	53

1861.		Cr.	\$	cts.
		Brought forward.....	7,262	58
Nov.	19	By cash received for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	150	00
		“ “ for six months' interest to 16th inst. on bond of \$12,000.....	390	00
21		“ “ for six months' interest to this date on \$6,000, balance of bond	180	00
22		“ “ for six months' interest to Oct. 28, 1861, on bond of \$6,500.....	227	50
Dec.	8	“ “ for six months' interest to Nov. 2, 1861, on bond of \$2,000....	70	00
		“ “ for six months' interest to Nov. 2, 1861, on \$1,000, balance of bond	35	00
3		“ “ for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$20,000.....	600	00
4		“ “ from the First Reformed Dutch Church, New Brunswick, for the Church Building Fund....	17	50
6		“ “ from Isaac Young, Esq., for the Church Building Fund.....	100	00
9		“ “ for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of \$7,500 each...	525	00
11		“ “ from the Board of Domestic Missions of the Refd. P. Dutch Church, for the Church Building Fund.....	266	07
12		“ “ for six months' interest to 6th inst. on bond of \$10,000.....	350	00
28		“ “ for six months' dividend on 52 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co....	182	00
		“ “ for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of the New York and New Haven Railroad Company.....	70	00
24		“ “ for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$9,000.....	315	00
1862.				
Jan.	6	“ “ for interest on bond to January 1, 1861.....	82	05
	7	“ “ from Rev. Ben. C. Taylor, D.D., the amount of a bequest of George Newkirk, late of Bergen, N. J., deceased, to be applied for the maintenance and support of the Domestic Missionary operations of the Refd. Dutch Church.....	400	00
	20	“ “ for six months' interest to Oct. 28, 1861, on bond of \$6,500.....	227	50
Feb.	5	“ “ for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$5,000.....	175	00
		“ “ for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$4,000.....	140	00
		Carried forward.....	11,765	15

1862.		Cr.	\$	cts
		Brought forward.....	11,765	15
Feb.	20	By cash received from Samuel B. Schieffelin (per P. A. H. Jackson, Treasurer), for the Parochial School Fund....	100	00
March	1	" " for six months' interest to this date on \$3,750, balance of bond	131	25
	3	" " borrowed from James L. Schieffelin, on note of the Treasurer	700	00
	12	" " borrowed from Bank, on note of the Treasurer.....	700	00
April	12	" " for six months' interest to 16th inst. on \$4,000, balance of bond	140	00
	17	" " for six months' interest to 10th inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	70	00
	19	" " from the Second Refd. Dutch Church, Coxsackie, for the Church Building Fund.....	12	14
	21	" " for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$5,000.....	175	00
	24	" " for six months' interest to 23d inst. on three bonds amounting to \$11,000.....	385	00
	25	" " from Rev. Isaac Ferris, D.D., to constitute him a member of the Widows' Fund of the Refd. P. Dutch Church, according to the rules of its government.....	500	00
		" " for six months' interest to Nov. 1, 1861, on \$5,000, balance of bond	175	00
		" " from the Collegiate Refd. Dutch Church, for the Church Building Fund.....	10	80
	28	" " for six months' interest to 22d inst. on two bonds amounting to \$5,250.....	183	75
	29	" " for six months' interest to 27th inst. on bond of \$2,800.....	84	00
		" " for six months' interest to 27th inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	70	00
	30	" " Peter R. Warner, amount collected by him from members of the congregation of the Refd. P. Dutch Church, corner of Fifth avenue and Twenty-ninth street, for the Permanent Contingent Fund of General Synod, as follows, viz: William Bogardus.....\$50 00 Ebenezer Monroe..... 50 00	100	00
		" " for proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.....	183	50
		Carried forward.....	15,485	59

1862.	Cr.	\$	cts.
	Brought forward.....	15,485	59
April 30	By cash received from the Bank of New York, for one year's interest to 1st inst. on six bonds of the Township of Holland, Ottawa Co., Mich..		42 00
	“ “ from the following Clergymen, as a donation to the Widows' Fund, viz: Rev. John Lillie..... \$20 00 “ John Nott..... 20 00 “ Jno. Abeel Baldwin 120 00		160 00
	“ “ from the following Classes for Minutes of General Synod, viz: Paramus..... \$28 80 Holland..... 6 00 Philadelphia..... 12 00 North Long Island..... 12 00 South New York..... 15 00 Greene..... 6 00 New York..... 33 60 Monmouth..... 5 70 New Brunswick..... 18 60 Passaic..... 5 40 Bergen..... 36 00 Montgomery..... 19 00 Ulster..... 10 00 Saratoga..... 12 00 Orange..... 12 00 Poughkeepsie..... 11 10		243 20
	“ “ from the following Classes during the year, for Contingent Expenses of General Synod, viz: North Long Island..... \$75 00 South Long Island..... 90 20 North Church, Brooklyn 10 00 South New York..... 132 50 New York..... 180 00 Philadelphia..... 89 00 Poughkeepsie..... 90 00 Michigan..... 20 00 Hudson..... 91 00 Kingston..... 52 50 Ulster.. 38 87 Geneva..... 65 00 Holland..... 7 50 Paramus..... 40 50 Monmouth..... 37 50 New Brunswick..... 56 25 Bergen..... 112 50 Greene..... 30 00 Westchester..... 40 00 Illinois..... 45 00		
	Carried forward.....	15,930	79

1862.	Cr.	\$	cts.
	Brought forward.....	15,930	79
	Raritan.....\$56 25		
	Orange.....75 00		
	Schoharie.....71 66		
	Wisconsin.....7 50		
		1,513	78
	By cash received during the year for the Widows' Fund, as follows, viz:		
	Second Ref. Dutch Church, Albany.....\$22 00		
	First Ref. Dutch Church, Albany.....30 17		
	Fourth Ref. Dutch Church, Albany.....2 00		
	P. V. N. Morris.....5 00		
	Collegiate Refd. Dutch Church, New York.....50 18		
	Ref. Dutch Church, Twenty-first st., N. Y.....26 02		
	Ref. Dutch Church, Six-Mile-Run, N. J.....18 00		
	First Ref. Dutch Church, Van Vorst, Jersey City.....40 39		
	Ref. Dutch Church, Thirty-fourth st., N. Y.....6 07		
	Second Ref. Dutch Church, Poughkeepsie.....23 12		
	Thos. T. Buckley, Executor of the Estate of Mrs. Mary W. Thompson, deceased, amount of legacy left by her will, and interest thereon.....117 50		
	Ref. Dutch Church, West Leyden, N. Y.....8 00		
	Ref. Dutch Church, West Troy.....40 00		
	Ref. Dutch Church, East Millstone, N. J.....7 04		
	Mrs. Catherine Dwight...25 00		
		415	49
	“ “ from the following Clergymen, during the year, for their annual payments to the Widows' Fund, viz:		
	Rev. John C. Guldin.....\$20 00		
	“ John A. Lansing, \$20, \$20.....40 00		
	“ Jas. R. Talmage.....20 00		
	“ Goyne Talmage, \$20, \$20.....40 00		
	“ C. L. Van Dyck, \$20, \$20.....40 00		
	“ J. N. Wyckoff, D.D.. 20 00		
	Carried forward.....	17,860	01

1862.	Cr.	\$	cts
	Brought forward.....	17,860	01
	Rev. E. P. Rogers, D.D....\$20 00		
	" John Dubois..... 20 00		
	" C. S. Doeppenschmidt. 20 00		
	" Richard H. Steele.... 20 00		
	" D. D. Demarest, D.D. 20 00		
	" A. B. Taylor..... 20 00		
	" Wm. S. Heyer..... 20 00		
	" Joseph Wilson..... 20 00		
	" P. J. Quick..... 20 00		
	" R. B. Campfield, Jr., D.D..... 20 00		
	" R. O. Currie, D.D.... 20 00		
	" Chas. Jukes, \$20, \$20. 40 00		
	" P. D. Van Cleef..... 20 00		
	" Peter Stryker..... 20 00		
	" Benjamin Basler.... 20 00		
	" John M. Ferria..... 20 00		
	" Henry A. Raymond.. 20 00		
	" Wm. Lyall..... 20 00		
	" Jas. B. Hardenbergh, D.D..... 20 00		
	" Jacob West..... 20 00		
	" Philip Peltz..... 20 00		
	" John DeWitt, D.D... 20 00		
	" Cyril Spaulding..... 20 00		
	" E. Van Aken, 2 years and interest..... 41 40		
	" Henry A. Friedel, 2 years and interest.. 41 40		
	" Charles Becker..... 20 00		
		762	80
	Total.....	\$18,622	81
April 30	By balance on hand brought forward.....	\$1,189	42

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

NEW YORK, April 30th, 1862.

The subscribers, a Committee appointed to examine the accounts of John I. Brower, Treasurer, have examined the same, with the vouchers exhibited by him, and find them correct, leaving a balance on hand of eleven hundred and eighty-nine dollars and forty-two cents.

W. B. CROSBY, }
P. R. WARNER, } *Committee.*

NEW YORK, May 29th, 1862.

Annual Digest, 1862.

The Board of Direction submit to General Synod their Annual Digest, as follows :

Funds Devoted to Education.

THE VAN BENSCHOTEN FUND.

This Fund, as reported by John C. Elmendorf, Treasurer of Rutgers College, and which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages upon property in the State of New Jersey, etc., amounted on the 1st April, 1862..... \$20,013 57
Amount on hand, and uninvested..... 300 00

Cash on hand, April 1st, 1862.....	20,813 57
Interest on same Fund, due 2d May, 1861.....	1,241 78
There has been paid to students, out of the interest of this Fund, during the past year.....	60 00
	1,462 50

LEGACY OF MRS REBECCA KNOX.

The amount of this Fund, which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages upon property in the State of New Jersey, is....	\$2,000 00
Interest on this Fund, due 1st of May, 1861, and received.....	120 00

Education Fund.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds secured by mortgages, for educational purposes.....	\$45,500 00
Balance of interest received to 30th April, 1862.....	719 89

Widow's Fund.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds secured by mortgages, for this Fund.....	\$17,200 00
Balance of principal on 30th April, 1862.....	753 95
There has been paid to annuitants, out of the income of the Fund, during the year.....	501 17

Permanent Professorial Fund.

Under this head are included all the moneys which have been collected and invested on the subscriptions for the Professorships, as well as the money formerly in the hands of the Trustees of Rutgers College; also the donation of \$5,000 by the late Colonel Henry Rutgers, for the benefit of Rutgers College viz.:

Loaned by the Board of Direction, secured by bonds and mortgages of real estate (excepting three bonds of the Collegiate Dutch Church, which are not accompanied by mortgages)..	\$35,150 00
Twenty-three shares of Bergen Turnpike Stock, ten of which belong to Rutgers College, valued at.....	230 00
Amount of unpaid subscriptions to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	\$12,250 00
Deduct the amount which the Board believe cannot be collected.....	6,250 00
Leaving subscriptions supposed to be good.....	<u>6,000 00</u>

Permanent Contingent Fund.

The amount of this Fund on 30th April, 1862, is.....	\$1,150 85
Of which there is loaned upon bond and mortgage.....	<u>1,100 00</u>

Board of Domestic Missions.

There has been invested for this Board, on bond secured by mortgage.....	<u>\$250 00</u>
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Church Building Fund.

The amount of this Fund, on 30th April, 1862, is.....	\$2,384 77
For which the Board of Direction holds bonds secured by mortgages to the amount of.....	<u>2,000 00</u>

Sustentation Fund.

The balance of this Fund, on 30th April, 1862, is.....	<u>\$304 82</u>
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Minutes of General Synod.

There has been received for Minutes of General Synod, during the year.....	\$243 20
And there has been paid for printing Minutes.....	<u>265 43</u>

Assets in the Hands of the Treasurer.

Bonds and mortgages, and bonds, amounting to.....	\$151,200 00
Cash, Balance in Bank.....	1,189 42
Advanced in anticipation of receipts for interest and contingent expenses, to meet the payments at their usual times.....	1,053 55
	<u>\$153,442 97</u>

NEW YORK, 29th May, 1862.

W. B. CROSBY, *President.*

M. S. HUTTON, } *Directors.*
P. R. WARNER, }

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

So much of the above Report of the Board of Direction, and accompanying documents, as relates to the Widows' Fund, was referred to the Committee on the Widows' Fund; so much as relates to the Board of Education to the Committee on Education; so much as relates to Vacancies in the Boards to the Committee on Nominations, and the residue to the Committee on the Professorate.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to the election of the Board of Direction of the Corporation. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were chosen: Mr. William B. Crosby, *President*; Rev. M. S. Hutton, D.D., Mr. John Van Nest, Peter R. Warner, *Directors*, and Mr. John I. Brower, *Treasurer*.

ARTICLE V.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The following communication from the Rev. Alfred Nevin, D.D., was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Correspondence:

To the Moderator of the Synod of the Ref. Prot. Dutch Church:

Rev. and Dear Sir:—At a meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States of America, held in Columbus, Ohio, last month, I was appointed a delegate to the Synod over which you preside, to convey to that honored body the fraternal salutations of the Assembly. I anticipated great pleasure in the fulfilment of this commission by a visit to your Synod, but having since the adjournment of the Assembly been considerably indisposed, I am reluctantly shut up to the necessity of denying myself that privilege.

You will, then, Rev. and Dear Sir, be so kind as to inform your Synod of my appointment, and the reason of my failure to be personally present, as well as present to them the cordial greetings and warm Christian regards of the body which I have the honor to represent. We greatly prize the correspondence which holds between your Synod and ourselves, and rejoice in every indication of your prosperity and success, as a noble branch of the Church of Jesus Christ. Most sincerely do I trust that your present session may be one of harmony and love, and its results largely promotive of the high interests committed to your charge.

ALFRED NEVIN.

PHILADELPHIA, *June 2d*, 1862.

A communication was received from Rev. A. R. Van NESTE, Jr., D.D., with reference to opening a correspondence with the Reformed

Church of France, which was referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

It was resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Correspondence, to consider the propriety of opening a correspondence by delegates with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, commonly styled New School.

The following Report from Rev. E. S. Porter, D.D., delegate of the General Synod to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, was received, and referred to the Committee on Correspondence :

To the President of the General Synod :

The undersigned, as delegate from your body, attended the session of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, convened at Columbus, Ohio, on the 15th of May. He was present during four days, and observed, with much gratification, the proceedings taken within that period. Your delegate tendered the cordial salutations of the General Synod to the sister Assembly, which were fervently and emphatically reciprocated. He could not fail to feel that the correspondence between the two bodies is far more than a formal exchange of compliments ; resting, as it does, upon common principles of faith, informed by a kindred spirit, and maintained with a fraternal purpose to honor the one head, Jesus Christ.

Respectfully,

ELBERT S. PORTER.

SYRACUSE, June 5th, 1862.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Correspondence would respectfully report on the following subjects, referred to them for consideration :

1. The report of the delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church does not require any special action.

2. A communication of Rev. Alfred Nevin, D.D., the Corresponding Delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to attend this session of Synod, assigning the reasons for his absence, and conveying to this body their fraternal salutations.

Your Committee recommend that it be incorporated in the Minutes, and that the President of this Synod be hereby authorized to reciprocate these expressions of Christian confidence and sympathy.

3. Another subject referred to your Committee relates to the "opening of a correspondence with the Reformed Church of France."

The following action is suggested :

Resolved, That it be referred to our Board of Foreign Missions, as a Committee of Synod, to consider the propriety of opening such correspondence, and report to the next General Synod; and, if favorable action is taken, also to prepare a suitable letter to that body of Christians, for the approval of Synod.

4. Your Committee have also examined with much carefulness the following resolution:

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Correspondence, to consider the propriety of opening a correspondence by delegates, with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, commonly styled New School.

The grave importance of action on this topic, at once awakens serious thoughtfulness, for conflicting opinions evidently present themselves.

On the one hand, we hear the voice of our Lord and Master often pressing the duty and privilege of love to all the brotherhood, and then, in His closing instructions to the Church, offering that wonderful prayer for those who had been "given to Him," that they all "may be one," even as He and His Father are one.

The same spirit is breathed in the teachings of the inspired Apostles. They urge an enlarged Christian charity. They set forth the Church as the "body of Christ," the one glorious Head of all, "of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named." They would have all, without distinction of name, to "endeavor to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace." In view of such declaration of Divine truth, it becomes us to hail with joy every indication of God's providence pointing to a closer and stronger unity of the Church of our Lord.

On the other hand, we must not forget that truth—the truth as it is in Jesus—lies at the basis of genuine Christian union. It is this that gives life, consistency and vigor to the whole. We are assured that charity "rejoiceth in the truth." Moreover, we are commanded to "hold fast the form of sound words," and not be "carried about with every wind of doctrine."

It is plain, therefore, that no little carefulness is requisite, lest by any means we suppress a becoming desire for Christian union with all who "love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity," or lest we form an undue complicity and alliance with what we deem to be contrary to the Word of God.

The Reformed Dutch Church cherishes towards the large body of the Presbyterian Church the most cordial and fraternal feelings, based, as we believe, on unity of faith. On this account a regular correspondence has long been maintained with one branch of that family. We are not prepared to assert, with like directness, the existence of the same feeling, arising from the same cause, in reference to the "General Assembly, commonly styled New School." Yet, during the past few years, our practical commingling and conjunction

with that respected family of Christ, in the interchange of her ministry and membership, is a well known fact.

The question, therefore, may well arise, whether we should longer remain as comparative strangers, or shall we begin to look at and greet each other with well understood Christian salutations.

Your Committee, therefore, recommend the following preamble and resolution :

Whereas, This Synod considers the interchange of Christian courtesy and kindness between ecclesiastical bodies as most desirable, wherever it can be practicable and hearty, even when differences of doctrinal views may preclude that form of correspondence contemplated in chap. ii., art. 5, sec. 3 of our Constitution,

Resolved, That this Synod send to the next New School General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church a Commissioner, whose office it shall be to assure that body of our fraternal affection and interest, and to propose to it a yearly interchange of kind expressions by letter.

We also report the following nominations from which to choose a Delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church : *Primarii*, Revs. William V. V. Mabon, D.D., P. D. Van Cleef; *Secundi*, Revs. Goyen Talmage, J. Romeyn Berry.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. J. VAN NESTE, *Chairman*.

Rev. H. D. Ganse was appointed the Commissioner *Primarius* to the Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (New School,) and Rev. D. D. Demarest *Secundus*.

Rev. William V. V. Mabon, D.D., was elected Delegate *Primarius* to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (Old School,) and Rev. Goyen Talmage *Secundus*.

Resolved, That the delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, be directed to respectfully suggest to that body the propriety of having all correspondence between that Church and this carried on by letter.

ARTICLE VI.

SYNODICAL REPORT ON THE STATE OF THE CHURCHES.

A Committee, consisting of Rev. David Cole, C. Van Cleef, and the Elder, F. J. Hosford, was appointed to report a plan for the religious exercises of the Synod. Their report was accepted, and adopted, and is as follows :

The Committee on Religious Exercises recommend :

1. That a prayer meeting be held in the lecture room of this church every morning during the session of the Synod, from 8 to 9 o'clock.

2. That the Synod join in devotional exercises on the afternoon of the first day, from 3½ to 4½ o'clock, and that these exercises be directed by the President.

3. That the Synod join in celebrating the ordinance of the Lord's Supper on the afternoon of the second day, at 3 o'clock, and that Rev. Joseph A. Collier be requested to preach the sermon; Rev. J. Romeyn Berry to speak at the distribution of the bread, and Rev. N. E. Smith to speak at the distribution of the wine.

D. COLE, *Chairman*.

Services were held in accordance with the above report.

The Committee on the State of Religion presented the following Report, which was accepted, and adopted :

REPORT ON THE STATE OF RELIGION MADE TO GENERAL SYNOD.

The Committee on the State of Religion respectfully report :

That they have examined the subject assigned them in the light of the Minutes of our Particular Synods. From the summaries of these bodies, on this matter always made most prominent, your Committee endeavor to present such extracts and remarks, as shall together furnish a succinct but comprehensive view of the spiritual condition of our beloved Church, at the close of another ecclesiastical year of her history.

All the Churches in connection with the particular Synod of New York, agree substantially in the following, as existing facts :

The means of grace have been diligently observed, in accordance with established usages. The voice of the pulpit has been uttered on every Sabbath day, proclaiming the "unsearchable riches of Christ," and calling sinners to repentance. Respectful and encouraging attendance and attention upon the part of our people, beget animation in the hope indulged of a growing interest in religious things. The presence of the "Spirit of truth" is mentioned by some, and the prevalence of the spirit of peace by other reports. Sabbath school, Bible class and catechetical instruction has been, for the most part, continuously given. Prayer meetings have multiplied, and have been on the whole better attended than formerly. Contributions, as usual, though more limited, have been made to the various streams of benevolence that flow from our fountain to irrigate the world. External prosperity, like the light of the sun, lies upon the green pastures of our Lord, where his under-shepherds tend his flocks; but, notwithstanding these facts, commonly descriptive of, and cheering to the Churches of this Synod, the complaint is general among them,

that the results of another year's labor fall far below their fondly fostered hopes of heavenly bestowment.

The Synod of Albany records the pleasing fact, that "notwithstanding the disastrous effects of our most lamentable civil war upon the financial interests of the country, there are many Churches which report increased, and still increasing contributions for religious and benevolent purposes; while those whose alms have diminished in actual amount, have allowed them to fall but little short of the reported contributions in more prosperous and peaceful years." This is indicative of a thriving evangelical sentiment of great practical importance, extending in the right direction; but the Synod, at the same time, is compelled to place in the front of its report, above alluded to, language expressive of a widely extended fact, deeply to be regretted, viz: "With one voice the Classes (under its care) deplore the dearth of the awakening and quickening influence of the Holy Spirit. It is the topic which forms the staple of each of the several reports."

The Synod of Chicago thinks that notwithstanding their limited means of grace, in consequence of which some of our ecclesiastical centers of influence among them are enfeebled, and the people mourn over silent Sabbaths and closed sanctuaries, yet their Churches generally have enjoyed a good measure of spiritual prosperity.

From the amplifications of our Synodical reports, your Committee think that an unusual falling off in the matter of the increase of our membership, during the past year, has produced a tone of despondency in nearly all of them, on the state of religion. And your Committee regret to state that the figures justify this as a general fact. The statistical synopsis of last year informs us that 2,519 were added to our Church by confession of faith. This year our additions are very much diminished from that number. In the Synod of New York, the number is 1,149. In the Synod of Albany the number is 619. In the Synod of Chicago the number is 266, making in all 2,034, and showing a decrease in members from the world, of 485. We need not, therefore, wonder at the feeling of sorrow over this state of things, alike pervading nearly all the classical reports of this year. The cause seems to be generally understood, and in some cases, distinctly pointed out to be the unhappy civil war which has for more than a year distracted not only the Country, but the Church. The press, on this subject of national calamity, has daily chronicled numerous facts, some of them amazing, distressing, exciting; others of them confounding, exasperating, maddening, and all of them adapted to the disastrous work of mentally and morally diverting the hearts of the impenitent, so far from the claims of the Gospel, and of their own souls, as to cause them to prefer patriotism to piety, as the circumstantial imperative duty of the present hour. They have exhibited a wonderful unanimity in the duty discharged, of rendering unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's, while the exigencies of the Country have come into the help of old delusions, persuasive to the

impiety of *not* rendering to God the things that are God's. The breach of the Sabbath, by the out-pouring of Sunday newspapers in our large cities, flooding the North wherever it could be reached by matters so exciting, as to nullify the ordinary operations of gospel truth, or at least preventing its lodgment in the mind, and shutting out its influence from the heart, have kept the popular mind perpetually closed up to the causes of its excitement, and have produced a morbid appetite for reading recitals from which angels would turn away in disgust and horror. These things, in proximity to our congregations, constantly and successfully appealing to unmindful hearers, are a fit instrumentality of which the old deceiver readily avails himself to steal away the Word out of their hearts, lest they might forsake the prince of darkness, and enlist under the Prince of peace.

We mourn these things, but we need not repine; should not despond; ought not to relax our fidelity, nor abate our zeal in the glorious cause of our Master. Generous men, honorably indignant against the rebellion of the South, but lamentably oblivious of their own rebellion against the King of kings, and Lord of lords, may turn away from the paramount claims of the Gospel, and in their laudable anxiety to put down the rebellion of the South, strangely manage to perpetuate their own against the Captain of our salvation; but so long as the Church is faithful to her duties, the peril will be all their own, while ours shall be the comfort of that unfailing promise: "My word shall not return unto me void, but shall accomplish that whereunto I send it." "The foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal. The Lord knoweth them that are his."

Amid all this tumultuous uproar in our Country, there are, however, numerous signs for encouragement and hope. Over 2,000 souls within our bounds have professedly abandoned the world, and chosen the one thing needful; and although the pleasure is denied us of announcing extensive revivals of religion, and we, instead, have to write "lamentation," we rejoice that the terrible monosyllable, "woe," need not be added, for the blessed means of grace are not abridged, and the Spirit of the Lord, like refreshing dew, has been granted to many of our Churches, causing growth in grace and knowledge to the children of God, and to some, repentance unto life.

Your Committee regard it as a cheering sign of reserved mercies, that the spirit of prayer, and a humbling sense of reliance on God, seem to pervade our Church in a good degree. No roots of bitterness appear to send forth the thorns and thistles of discord and dissension. The unity of the spirit in the bonds of peace sheds its beneficent influence upon our entire brotherhood. Harmony of views, and directness of purpose in evangelical aims to glorify Christ and advance his cause, seem to cement us in fraternal love, and in devotion to the doctrines and policy of our Church. All the abatement that seemingly need be made to this statement, respects the degree of intensity in manifestation. We need the quickening influences of the Holy Spirit, prompting our ministers to a more faithful presenta-

tion of doctrinal truth, according to the constitutional requirement of a continuously regular exposition of the Heidelberg catechism. The doctrines of our Church we believe to be the doctrines of the Word of God, so admirably arranged in this venerable symbol, that it may be made the means of familiarizing our people with the great framework of the plan of salvation far more readily and efficiently than by any other method. We need this heavenly influence to urge our membership to the imperative duty of giving in their daily walk a living commentary upon our pulpit descriptions of Christian character. We need the graces of the Spirit in more abundant exemplification, that our "alms and our prayers," from liberal hands and devoted hearts of loyalty and love, may come up before God with acceptance, so that we may reap the result he has promised in a richer harvest of spiritual good. The mention of these important matters must be made emphatic, as your Committee judge, because there are so many additional stimulants in great activity at this time to divert the minds of Christian men, to at least a suspension of deeply-felt interest in the cause of Christ, and because the last annual report of General Synod on the matter in hand, contained no cheering evidence of spiritual advancement or enlargement of home operations. Last year the record was made that, "as a Church we have failed in the main to reach those more eminent attributes of a growing righteousness which we could have attained." This year the reports from our Churches do not justify an abatement of this language, but rather prompt to a more earnest appeal for special prayer and effort for individual and collective improvement, that as a Church we may speedily rise far above the level where we have already too long rested.

It does not become your Committee to read a homily to the Church on her deficiencies; but they beg permission to plead for special effort to be made, by the wisdom and piety of every Consistory, to contribute a share in one general effort to counteract whatever local influences seem to them to be impediments to our spiritual growth and prosperity. Thus, by the blessing of God, our next year's report shall put into our mouths a new song of praise.

Let it be remembered, with an eye to speedy correction, that in many places the sin of intemperance is doing sad execution, where we should expect different things. The plea of long forbearance, we fear, is too often made to escape the unpopular but necessary duty of discipline. Purity is essential to prosperity in the Church of God, and that is a sadly mistaken course which purchases peace at its expense. Holiness of heart can never be reached by that man who so far forgets his profession as to hold a slack reign over the lusts of the flesh. Wherever intemperance and licentiousness be found to mar the membership of any Church, let that Church be faithful in the prudent but prompt exercise of her discipline. The utmost prominence that can be given to the subject of temperance in our Sabbath schools ought to be given, for the obvious reason of the great advantages of

early impressions, rightly made, to the formation of correct principles for the conduct of life.

Your Committee deem it not amiss to urge the great subject of training the baptized children of the Church upon the attention of all our Consistoria. While there is a commendable zeal in bringing the young within the justly valued power of Sabbath school influence, let it not be forgotten that the baptism of a child constitutes its special claim upon the prayers and efforts of the Church. To our baptized youth must we look for her future strength and onward movement. Let us be faithful to her in rearing them up to a preference for the ecclesiastical home of their fathers, and while we teach them the hatefulness of bigotry, let us infuse into them that feeling of denominationalism which shall lead them to value what we think worth keeping in our peculiarity as a distinct organization in the great family of the Church of Christ.

In view of what we have found to be the general utterances of our Churches in reference to the subjects spoken of, your Committee recommend to the General Synod the following resolutions :

1. That we feel humbled before God on account of our shortcomings as a branch of his Church ; that we feel grateful for the blessings of peace among ourselves, and that measure of prosperity we enjoy, under the administration of the word and sacraments, accompanied by the blessed influences of the Holy Spirit ; that we earnestly long and pray for more abundant showers of Divine grace ; and that for this purpose we will aim to attain a higher degree of spiritual energy, Christian zeal, and becoming enlarged liberality in the service of Christ.

2. That a Committee be now appointed to prepare a Pastoral Letter, which shall be an earnest argument and appeal on the subjects of ecclesiastical interest referred to in this and the similar report of last year, to be read from all our pulpits, and published in the *Christian Intelligencer*.

We close our report by recording our devout gratitude for the services rendered our Church by the following dearly beloved brethren, who have closed their labors on earth during the past year and have gone to their reward : Rev. W. R. Bogardus and Rev. Peter Allen, of the Classis of Paramus ; Rev. Dr. Thomas M. Strong and Rev. J. T. M. Davie, of the South Classis of Long Island ; and recently, Rev. Dr. George W. Bethune, of the Classis of New York ; Rev. Samuel Harlow, of the Classis of Kingston ; Rev. Paul Wiedman, of the Classis of Geneva ; and Rev. Jeremiah Searle, of the Classis of Orange.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. GORDON, *Chairman*.

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.		
Albany.....	E. P. Rogers.....	950	24	11	5	10	578	10	9	125	150	290	\$2,955 88	\$6,540 00	Albany.	
2d Albany.....	I. N. Wyckoff.....	129	9	8	14	4	405	20	...	75	45	159	1,118 10	2,787 00	do.	
3d Albany.....	W. H. Miller.....	70	7	8	4	1	112	8	2	100	80	220	...	1,313 00	do.	
Holland Church.....	H. Schnellendreußer.....	40	5	6	2	...	76	12	...	85	35	...	36 00	450 00	do.	
Dudley *.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	do.
4th Church Albany.....	W. Houbolt.....	15	2	...	...	1	39	8	...	40	40	80	180 71	112 76	do.
Bethlehem.....	J. Simonsen.....	160	...	...	8	1	282	11	...	34	67	120	184 25	1,187 00	do.
Coeymans.....	I. Collier.....	80	...	...	4	...	97	4	...	60	30	115	130 25	675 00	Coeymans.
New Baltimore.....	R. G. Strong.....	78	10	1	1	2	102	3	5	72	43	100	166 00	1,413 56	New Baltimore.	
Jerusalem.....	A. V. Gulick.....	82	1	...	...	1	80	4	...	40	30	40	50 00	1,965 00	Albany.
do.....	do.....	44	...	...	...	1	30	2	...	30	10	30	20 00	250 00	do.
2d Bethlehem.....	J. Pearse.....	85	1	2	...	4	119	3	...	50	70	90	245 45	1,325 00	do.	
New Salem.....	H. Slauson.....	105	...	...	...	1	194	4	...	60	60	120	20 00	421 00	New Salem.
Clarksville.....	Vacant.....	37	1	1	...	...	28	...	...	30	20	20	6 25	628 00	Onaquethaw.
Onaquethaw.....	S. Van Santvoord.....	...	...	...	...	...	90	...	...	30	20	50	...	890 00	Westerlo.
Westerlo.....	Vacant.....	45	...	...	...	...	70	...	...	...	20	45	...	502 76	East Berne.
2d Berne.....	.....	42	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	Total.....	1292	61	37	33	26	2297	84	13	831	670	1449	\$5,077 89	\$19,760 88		

* No report.

Ministers without Charge.—J. Van Vechten, D. D., John Pepper, A. Dickson. *Ministerial Changes.*—Rev. Francis Dyer has left Westerlo and joined the Presbytery of Albany; A. G. Lansing has left New Salem and gone to Schuylerville, and H. Slauson is called to New Salem; A. Dickson has left the Dudley church, is without charge; J. W. Laremore left the 8d Church of Albany, and has gone to a church in Ohio, and Wm. H. Miller has been settled in his stead.

CLASSIS OF ARCOT IN INDIA.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.										Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Restored to Com- munion.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Each Congregation is Catechized at the close of the morning service.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.			
			On Confession.	On Certificate.															
Ref. Dutch Church, Arcot*.....	Rev. Andrew Sawyer.....	26	12	29	15	8	2	33	6	11	30	14 17	Arcot	Madras Presidency Chittoor } In America Palamanair } Vellore } Presidency India.	
" " ".....	" Joseph Mayou.....	20	.....	1	8	.....	2	18	9	1	51	.....	.....	.....	117 00	.....	Arnee
" " ".....	" E. C. Scudder, (S. C.).....	49	8	10	+	.....	.....	50	6	.....	44	.....	.....	.....	190 01	.....	Chittoor
" " ".....	" Joseph Scudder.....	236	5	23	8	.....	.....	43	11	8	9	.....	.....	.....	230 23	.....	Conoor
" " ".....	" J. Chamberlain.....	11	2	4	3	.....	.....	1	11	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	108 12	.....	Palamanair
" " ".....	" W. W. Scudder.....	67	8	11	2	.....	.....	1	50	4	8	.....	.....	.....	256 17	.....	Vellore
	Total.....	205	27	70	30	11	2	4	216	32	18	142	50	\$655 30		

* Hitherto written Rahnepetti. Rahnepetti is a part of the town of Arcot. The latter name is preferable. † Two of these were subsequently excommunicated. ‡ In the Report of last year the total number of Communicants in the Church at Conoor was erroneously stated. This was owing to the absence of the Pastor, Rev. Joseph Scudder. The Rev. M. M. Scudder, found on examining the Church Records, that there were $\frac{3}{4}$ in Communion, instead of 18. Hence the correction appears in the present Report.

Missioner without Charge.—Rev. H. M. Scudder, D. D., Stated supply at Conoor. *Candidates*.—For Ordination, S. D. Scudder, M.D.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Par- ishes.	
Bergen	Benjamin C. Taylor.....	235	9	13	...	12	324	17	1	170	220	250	\$2,285 00	\$757 00	Hudson, Hudson Co., N. J.
English Neighborhood.	Andrew B. Taylor.....	...	1	4	...	3	77	5	...	...	...	40	204 00	...	English Neighborhood, "
1st Hackensack	Alex. H. Warner, (S. C.) ..	90	5	2	...	5	123	10	70	40	80	50	303 00	...	Hackensack, Bergen Co., "
Schraalenbergh.	William R. Gordon.....	165	2	2	...	2	201	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	Schraalenbergh, " "
Belleville.	Peter A. Studdiford.....	112	2	1	...	1	176	6	118	82	173	173	1,239 00	...	Belleville, Essex "
1st Jersey City.	David H. Riddle.....	96	4	9	...	1	123	6	100	60	160	160	703 00	4,307 00	Jersey City, Hudson Co.
Bergen Neck.	Edward P. Fernhune.....	50	4	2	...	...	133	6	95	25	70	70	120 00	1,000 00	Salterville, Hudson Co.
1st Newark	David L. Stillwell.....	275	7	11	...	6	391	22	150	150	300	300	531 00	3,500 00	Newark, Essex "
Irvington	Henry Vensinger, Jr.....	73	7	6	...	3	93	3	73	34	118	118	134 00	750 00	Irvington, " "
New Durham.	W. V. V. Mabon.....	100	3	...	...	3	122	3	130	30	90	900	1,119 00	4,753 00	New Durham, Hud. "
1st Van Vorst.	Paul D. Van Cleef.....	155	10	17	...	2	265	19	175	113	184	184	342 00	1,740 00	Jersey City, "
3d Newark.	Gustavus Abel.....	110	2	6	...	3	290	7	150	160	300	300	789 00	2,907 00	Newark, Essex Co.
Hoboken.	M. B. Riddle.....	80	...	5	...	...	23	2	50	35	45	45	833 00	...	Hoboken, "
3d Jersey City.	C. L. Wells.....	115	4	17	...	...	123	9	100	40	175	175	833 00	2,907 00	Jersey City, Hudson Co.
German, North Bergen.	F. W. F. Jones.....	65	20	1	...	1	70	24	36	30	53	53	155 00	2,665 00	New Durham, Hud. Co.
Bergen Point.	John S. Lott.....	50	9	1	...	...	64	7	1	...	...	...	...	...	Bergen Point, " "
Franklin.	J. Demarest, Jr.....	60	9	4	...	2	53	4	88	68	75	75	135 00	412 00	Franklin, Essex "
2d Hackensack.	L. Mohr.....	73	13	...	...	...	77	8	80	75	100	100	513 00	1,400 00	Hackensack, Bergen "
German, Hoboken.	C. Doppenschmidt*	80	11	...	...	...	35	9	8	55	150	150	95 00	1,769 00	Hoboken, Hudson "
German, Jersey City.	Vacant.....	170	...	5	...	...	...	...	7	16	73	73	128 00	...	Jersey City, "
North Church, Newark.	Wm. Wolf*	90	3	...	...	...	194	14	40	...	...	...	990	2,664 00	Newark, "
Ger. 3d Hackensack	C. Doppenschmidt*	86	5	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	300	800 00	Hackensack, Bergen Co., "
2d Ch., Hud. City, Ger.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6 00	89 00	Hudson City, Hudson "
Total.....		2250	122	92	95	2	2954	292	7	1054	1317	1317	\$3,546 00	\$30,792 00	

* Missionaries.

Missionaries without Charge.—Rev. M. Lusk, John L. Chapman, James M. Bruen, A. W. McClure, R. B. Campbell, Cor. Sec. Sab. School; R. D. Van Kleek, Deen
 a. Hammond, Hasbrouck Dubois, with the Missionaries James H. Ballagh and Alvan Ostrom. *Candidates*—Henry E. Lott, and Cyrus B. Durand.

CLASSIS OF CAYUGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
		Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.
Canastota.....	Vacant.....	57	6	4	.....	1	42	2	2	.....	35	66	.....	\$1,231 00	Canastota, Mad. Co.
Chittenango.....	Jaas R. Talmadge.....	80	1	.....	.....	.....	78	1	.....	240	60	240	\$180 00	1,250 00	Chittenango.
Cleero.....	Vacant.....	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Cleero.
Lyander.....	F. V. Van Vranken.....	50	5	2	.....	2	37	7	2	.....	30	40	.....	.....	Lyander.
Naumburg.....	Charles Becker†.....	83	.....	.....	.....	.....	92	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Naumburg.
New Bremen.....	do.....	92	.....	.....	.....	.....	56	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	New Bremen.
Owasco.....	Wilson Ingalls.....	105	7	1	.....	3	149	4	5	.....	95	110	129 19	700 00	Owasco.
Owasco Outlet.....	J. Garretson, S. C.....	58	3	6	.....	1	96	.....	2	70	80	100	60 09	465 56	Auburn.
Syracuse.....	Vacant.....	100	15	7	.....	2	126	4	9	120	13	100	.....	2300 00	Syracuse.
Thousand Isles.....	Geo. Rockwell.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	15	70	8 00	200 00	Alexandria.
Utica.....	Charles E. Knox #.....	80	2	5	.....	1	125	.....	1	.....	14	160	.....	.....	Utica.
West Leyden.....	Vacant.....	32	.....	.....	.....	.....	29	14	.....	.....	28	30	.....	.....	West Leyden.
	Total.....	720	39	22	19	1	901	32	21	430	370	916	\$327 25	\$6,346 56	

* Stated supply. † Last year's report.

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Wm. J. Bradford, Marathon, N. Y.; John N. Powell, Chittenango; James Abell, Missionaries to Japan.—Rev. S. B. Brown, G. F. Verbeck.

CLASSIS OF GENEVA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.												
Lodi.....	G. J. Van Neste, (S. C.)	135	8	8	1	8	230	8	5	60	50	175	\$421 05	\$1,057 14	Lodi.	
Farmer.....	B. Bassler.....	100	1	1	1	8	154	2	.....	.....	40	80	204 90	1,112 32	Farmersville.
Geneva.....	C. Wiley.....	101	8	2	2	.....	183	.....	1	75	30	160	267 90	1,800 00	Geneva.
Ithaca.....	J. W. Schenck.....	104	8	8	8	1	149	2	1	15	60	132	344 26	1,392 80	Ithaca.	
Arenada.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tyre.....	J. R. Van Arsdale.....	50	8	1	1	9	77	1	8	15	25	85	25 00	.....	Waterloo.
Caroline.....	J. Whitbeck.....	45	2	2	.....	1	49	.....	20	15	30	26	26 00	.....	Waterloo.
Wolcott.....	Vacant.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	52	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Statenville.
Waterloo.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Fair Haven.
Buffalo.....	A. K. Kasse.....	80	.....	6	.....	2	55	8	.....	38	88	88	15 00	867 63	Waterloo.
Pultneyville.....	Vacant.....	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	.....	30	30	15	50	.....	.....	Buffalo, Box 2145.
Rochester.....	W. C. Wust.....	128	4	1	11	1	311	35	.....	130	.....	60	30 00	1,345 00	East Williamson.
Clymer.....	J. W. Dunnewold.....	54	11	1	.....	4	90	6	.....	60	80	50	75 00	300 00	Rochester, Box 2304.
Mina Corners.....	do.....	24	2	.....	.....	1	49	9	.....	20	14	25	10 00	150 00	Clymer.
Cato.....	T. G. Watson.....	15	2	1	.....	.....	22	1	.....	15	20	15	.....	150 00	Mina Corners.
Athens.....	A. F. Todd.....	40	2	2	7	1	54	1	1	.....	12	50	159 10	550 00	Cato.
Total.....		591	80	22	82	20	1584	67	11	478	849	890	\$1,578 21	\$8,554 94	Athens.	

Ministors without Charge.—John L. Bee, Cor. Sec'y of the Board of Education, 108 Fulton Street, N. Y., and A. G. Mors, Oaks Corners, Emeriti;
R. W. Knight, Pultneyville, and J. Beattie, Lockport.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
1st Ch. of Athens.....	C. Spaulding.....	70	3	1	2	.....	106	6	.....	20	30	40	\$212 26	\$964 84	Athens.
2d Ch. of Athens.....	".....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	42	3	.....	20	.....	80	8 67	245 50	do.
Catskill.....	J. A. Lansing.....	225	4	7	3	.....	326	5	.....	250	50	315	531 44	1,558 35	Catskill.
1st Ch. of Coxsackie.....	S. P. M. Hastings.....	187	6	2	3	.....	319	2	.....	.....	.....	100	193 21	6,000 00	Coxsackie.
2d Ch. of Coxsackie.....	F. N. Zabrickie.....	123	19	6	3	.....	197	11	.....	90	110	150	629 23	1,447 41	do.
Kiskatom.....	C. Rockwell.....	20	7	1	1	.....	153	5	.....	80	80	70	169 50	635 13	Kiskatom.
.....	S. T. Searle, S. C.....	53	3	3	.....	.....	121	4	.....	80	25	90	165 90	650 00	Leeds.
Moresville and S. Gilboa.....	W. D. Buckelew.....	46	4	6	.....	.....	9	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	82 20	450 00	Moresville.
Prattsville.....	A. F. Gilbert.....	90	14	5	.....	.....	97	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	51 80	729 92	Prattsville.
Roxbury.....	W. E. Turner.....	50	4	2	.....	.....	72	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	70 00	.....	Roxbury.
	Total.....	1001	56	35	17	18	1490	37	23	490	245	975	\$1993 73	\$11,2078 65	

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Wm. Johns, Hensonville, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
			Rec'd.		On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
Drenthe.....	R. Pieters.....	38	4	8	...	...	...	...	17	10	...	44	...	...	...	\$150 00	\$500 00	Zeeland, Mich.
Grand Rapids.....	C. Van der Meulen.....	130	37	26	...	4	12	164	83	48	...	150	...	100	...	847 20	1,786 82	Grand Rapids, Mich.
Grand Haven.....	Ch. Van der Veen.....	100	10	5	24	1	5	182	49	1	...	100	...	...	...	300 00	680 00	
Grandville.....	Vacant.....	80	2	1	...	...	...	6	26	10	...	...	...	...	...	18 00	180 00	
Grandreap.....	R. Pieters.....	20	1	4	2	...	1	33	6	38	...	26	...	...	...	10 00	144 00	
Holland.....	A. C. Van Raalte, D.D.....	160	9	17	15	...	2	335	51	160	...	160	...	130	...	1,170 24	1,863 45	
Kalamazoo.....	H. G. Klyn.....	95	11	1	7	6	23	163	14	186	...	186	...	51	...	706 00	780 25	
Muskegon.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
North Holland.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Noordeloos.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Overysel.....	G. J. Nykerk.....	77	17	5	1	...	1	217	80	...	...	100	2	...	...	106 51	246 82	
Pella.....	P. J. Oggel.....	268	29	8	...	2	2	380	79	170	...	170	...	840	...	750 00	2,600 00	
Polkton.....	Vacant.....	42	4	4	...	...	5	51	6	18	...	18	...	...	...	17 50	38 50	
Vriesland.....	A. Zwemer, S. C.....	80	5	9	...	...	...	144	31	1	...	90	...	...	...	156 00	530 00	
Zeeland.....	H. Stobbehaar.....	178	8	...	...	3	3	220	86	...	...	210	...	...	...	398 90	1,055 00	
Total.....	Total.....	1215	137	75	49	14	60	2017	860	2	1204	2	671	...	...	\$4,125 85	\$9,923 84	

Minister without Charge.—Rev. P. Phelps, Principal Holland Academy.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON, — P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
Hudson.....	David D. Demarest, (S. C.)	140	4	3	6	9	207	8	1	90	.....	200	\$776 94	\$2,100 00	Hudson, N. Y.	
1st Claverack.....	Amnon P. Van Gieson...	200	2	2	3	3	320	3	1	100	35	140	75 41	1,500 00	Claverack, "		
2d ".....	Vacant.....	100	2	4	3	.....	93	.....	1	.....	.....	130	.....	.....	Mellenville, "
Linlithgow.....	Charles J. Shepard.....	160	1	1	5	1	227	6	.....	35	40	175	85 49	1,280 75	Livingston, "	
Upper Red Hook.....	John G. Johnson.....	62	2	1	3	.....	84	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	58 00	733 00	Upper Red Hook, N. Y.
Vacant.....	Vacant.....	70	1	2	4	.....	130	7	.....	.....	.....	60	30 08	500 00	Germanstown, "
Germanstown.....	John S. Hinned.....	55	2	2	.....	2	130	7	2	.....	80	100	50 00	800 00	Hudson, "
Greenport.....	William Lyall.....	80	1	2	.....	1	99	9	.....	.....	.....	100	40 00	.....	Copake, "
Taghkanic.....		897	29	13	20	2	1160	42	4	925	105	905	\$1,124 92	\$6,913 75			
	Total.....																

Ministers without Charge. — Rev. Horace W. Finch, Rev. Abraham H. Meyers.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.
Fairview.....	J. S. Jorlmon, (S. C.).	140	9	2	7	....	4	195	16	2	78	102	182	\$165 21	\$938 12	Fairview, Ill.
Pekin.....	N. D. Williamson, (S. S.).	60	18	11	....	3	73	80	4	8	....	25	100	50 00	700 00	Pekin, Ill.
Vanderveer.....	S. B. Ayres, (S. S.).	18	5	2	6	....	30	30	1	....	....	....	30	....	....	Pleasant Plains, Ill.
Burlington.....	Vacant.	20	....	....	....	....	....	23	....	....	....	....	30	....	....	Burlington, Iowa.
Spring Lake.....	Vacant.	21	....	....	....	....	....	36	....	....	....	....	30	....	....	Pekin, Ill.
Raritan.....	S. A. Bumstead.....	47	7	3	....	....	1	71	11	1	....	20	60	....	300 00	Raritan, Ill.
Bushnell.....	E. P. Livingston.....	33	3	9	5	....	1	53	2	1	....	....	40	....	....	Bushnell, Ill.
Keokuk.....	J. Baay.....	20	....	....	....	....	19	....	....	....	....	....	60	....	....	Keokuk, Iowa.
Davenport.....	C. G. Van Derveer.....	25	....	12	6	....	....	36	7	....	....	....	70	....	....	Davenport, Iowa.
Whitehall.....	S. B. Ayres, (S. S.).	12	3	3	6	Pleasant Plains, Ill.
Total.....	Total.....	392	40	42	24	9	547	41	7	78	147	622	\$215 21	\$1,933 12	

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Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. D. Wilson, Fairview, Ill. J. P. Morris, Bushnell, Ill. A. Loyd, New York City. O. D. Minge, Raritan, Ill.
J. M. Wagner, Freeport, Ill.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
				Rec'd	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.		
Bloomington.....	J. R. Lente.....	60	60	...	2	95	1	...	...	...	...	40	\$22 37	\$251 22	Creek Locks.
Clove.....	J. N. Voorhis.....	150	150	11	2	118	9	1	83	20	150	78	142 10	500 00	High Falls.		
Dashville Falls.....	J. Markle, S. S.....	183	183	...	...	97	5	...	...	...	...	...	5 27	821 78	Rifton Glen.
Garfield.....	J. N. Jansen.....	100	100	1	...	126	6	...	25	20	...	...	182 90	770 00	Tutball.
Harley.....	B. C. Lippincott, S. O...	70	70	2	1	126	9	...	50	25	120	...	230 51	650 00	Hurley.		
2d Church, Kingston.....	J. A. Collier.....	90	90	11	...	154	7	4	75	85	112	...	334 15	2,500 00	Kingston.		
Marbletown.....	J. L. McNair.....	175	21	8	3	218	21	7	80	50	100	...	596 41	1,031 00	Stone Ridge.		
New Falls.....	C. H. Stitt.....	226	13	5	...	339	23	6	219	205	445	...	688 23	93 00	New Palis.		
N. Marbletown.....	B. C. Lippincott, S. S...	90	6	...	146	96	5	2	8	55	...	50	23 00	500 00	Hurley.		
Rochester.....	C. Wyckoff.....	150	22	1	...	203	85	2	...	...	...	...	104 00	2,602 60	Accord.
Rosendale.....	J. R. Lente.....	61	...	...	...	62	...	...	...	...	...	16	23 85	941 96	Rosendale.
Samsonville.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Samsonville.
Total.....		1210	90	26	24	1536	123	22	510	460	1111	...	\$2,357 79	\$10,898 56			

Ministers without charge.—A. Dabola, Brooklyn; W. A. Shaw, Kingston.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.			Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
		Number of Families.	On Confession.	Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com-munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu-mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Bene-volent Purposes.	Congregational Pur-poses.		
Jamaica.....	J. B. Allger.....	150	5	6	1	1	6	935	7	1	1	150	85	260	\$655 97	\$2,000 00	Jamaica, L. I.
Newtown.....	Wm. Anderson.....	121	5	6	3	4	4	165	12	4	4	150	85	260	940 24	2,500 00	Newtown, "
Oyster Bay.....	J. C. Lowe.....	78	1	1	1	1	1	122	4	4	...	...	...	45	63 66	...	Cedar Swamp, L. I.
North Hempstead.....	Ira C. Boice.....	70	1	1	13	2	3	58	5	1	...	...	17	45	183 04	629 00	Manhasset, "
Williamsburgh.....	E. S. Porter.....	180	4	15	8	8	8	866	9	1	...	...	...	600	913 75	3,368 80	Williamsburgh, "
Astoria.....	Wm. H. Ten Eyck.....	51	5	2	2	2	...	88	8	...	...	55	43	80	992 70	1,632 85	Astoria, "
Greenpoint.....	Goyz Talmage.....	120	7	20	2	6	144	111	7	2	...	...	...	75	867 00	1,806 00	Greenpoint, "
Flushing.....	Wm. W. Hallows, Jr.....	89	4	14	6	2	2	111	4	...	...	50	50	63	809 80	1,805 00	Flushing, "
South Bushwick.....	Dennis Wortman, Jr.....	60	5	7	2	1	70	250	14	1	...	75	32	147	125 00	1,100 00	Williamsburgh, "
Lee Avenue.....	John McC. Holmes, (S. C.)	190	14	23	9	2	1	68	2	6	...	65	630	1350	6,124 82	...	"
East Williamsburgh.....	Isaac L. Kip.....	50	4	2	1	...	...	68	2	...	...	30	30	100	100 00	522 65	Maspeth, "
Queens.....	J. W. Hammond.....	60	4	...	...	...	...	88	7	...	...	7	...	...	50 22	1,242 00	Queens, "
2d Church, Newtown.....	John Winisch, (S. S.)	83	...	...	...	...	...	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Newtown, "
German Church, Astoria.....	John ".....	84	...	...	...	...	...	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"
Total.....		1286	65	96	41	4	25	1920	97	17	1065	1049	...	3167	\$6,365 46	\$22,160 86	

Ministers without Charge.—E. R. Atwater, J. Demarest, John Gray, A. C. Hillman, P. B. Williamson, Jefferson Wynkoop.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & R. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.		
Brooklyn.....	A. A. Willits.....	900	18	93	5	8	235	10	5	800	90	250	\$1,981 25	\$6,000 00	Brooklyn, L. I.	
Flatbush.....	Vacant.....	106	1	4	1	2	186	9	9	180	130	231	696 86	.....	Flatbush, " "
New Utrecht.....	R. Ormiston Currie.....	85	1	1	.....	4	186	10	.....	25	.....	180	.....	.....	New Utrecht, L. I.
Gravesend.....	Maurice G. Hansen.....	90	4	.....	1	5	106	12	.....	78	15	76	414 15	.....	Gravesend, " "
Flatlands.....	Vacant.....	70	4	3	.....	1	122	8	2	.....	.....	120	.....	.....	Flatlands, " "
New Lots.....	J. M. Van Buren.....	60	2	6	2	5	98	18	1	40	20	40	250 00	.....	East New York, L. I.
East New York.....	Anson F. Munn.....	60	6	5	.....	1	101	6	1	30	15	150	471 09	1,700 00	do. " "
South Brooklyn.....	J. H. Manning.....	60	2	5	.....	1	83	2	.....	43	.....	54	130 67	.....	do. " "
Middle Brooklyn.....	N. E. Smith.....	43	.....	8	.....	1	627	29	4	.....	125	225	1,100 00	8,300 00	Brooklyn, " "
North Brooklyn.....	N. P. Pierce.....	240	19	27	18	13	120	2	.....	.....	.....	142	236 00	1,896 71	do. " "
North Gowanus.....	A. Elmendorf.....	81	3	5	13	5	415	20	21	255	219	340	1,894 00	3,067 87	do. " "	
Church on the Heights.....	James Ellis.....	200	78	27	16	8	365	16	.....	225	275	300	8,847 53	7,000 00	do. " "
New Brooklyn.....	C. Dickhaut.....	190	6	23	24	.....	67	83	.....	24	19	80	37 83	817 60	East Brooklyn, " "
East Brooklyn.....	J. West, (S. C.).....	53	4	9	7	1	133	9	1	102	90	147	491 20	1,932 73	Brooklyn, " "	
Total.....		1501	158	184	85	2	2033	177	85	1802	937	2405	\$11,000 13	\$29,904 40		

Ministres without Charge.—Rev. A. J. Labagh, Rev. B. N. Hall, D.D., Frans M. Schneeweis; Rev. Julius Hones, Rev. Daniel Rapelle, Missionary in China.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Battle Creek.....	Vacant.....	80	9	1	.....	.....	44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$400 00	.....	Battle Creek.
Centreville.....	J. H. Kershaw.....	40	3	.....	.....	.....	67	3	1	10	40	50	\$40 00	.....	Centreville.
Constantine.....	Wm. Bailey, S. C.....	45	2	.....	.....	.....	66	1	.....	80	40	100	20 00	400 00	Constantine.
Mottville.....	".....	80	.....	1	.....	.....	86	1	.....	.....	.....	95	7 00	100 00	"
Porter.....	".....	15	.....	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	3 00	20 00	"
Macon.....	H. Heermance.....	32	1	.....	.....	.....	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	7 44	160 00	Macon.
Grand Rapids.....	Vacant.....	7	1	.....	.....	.....	13	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Grand Rapids
Jefferson and Pittsford.....	".....	40	2	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	Sparsa.
South Bend.....	".....	13	3	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	South Bend, Indiana.
Ridgeway.....	".....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	Total.....	522	6	4	1	4	384	5	1	40	80	875	\$77 44	\$1,000 00	.....

• Last year's report.

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Wm. T. Van Doren, South Bend Indiana; J. H. Sheffield, New York; J. G. Tarbell, Alamo, Mich.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.		Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
First Freehold.....	Ralph Willis.....	90	6	8	8	....	....	3	150	1	5	60	50	90	\$194 89	\$907 07	Marlboro', N. J.
Second Freehold	Ezra W. Collier.....	90	5	4	4	....	....	187	187	8	1	120	95	110	417 00	2,575 88	Freehold, "
Middletown.....	Wm. Kelley.....	90	1	2	2	....	....	182	182	8	1	120	95	110	2,000 00	2,000 00	Heindel, "
Spotswood	A. Van Dewater.....	40	9	1	1	....	....	84	84	1	2	12	12	75	30 00	375 00	Spotswood, "
Middletown Village.....	A. C. Millsbaugh, (S. C.).	65	2	....	....	....	....	126	126	3	....	35	20	50	109 00	600 00	Middletown, "
Keyport.....	Samuel Lockwood.....	40	2	....	....	....	....	3	33	3	....	25	25	35	15 00	1,000 00	Keyport, "
Long Branch.....	James B. Wilson.....	50	6	8	8	....	....	68	68	1	5	18	35	60	45 00	829 43	Long Branch, "
Colt's Neck.....	J. S. Wyckoff....	70	5	....	....	....	....	1	63	3	5	50	40	70	47 71	504 64	Colt's Neck, "
Total.....	Total.....	635	35	12	11	1	1	10	843	15	18	320	277	540	\$1,163 51	\$7,991 52	

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Garret C. Schenck, Marlboro' N. J.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & E. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total down in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catech- umens.	Number in Biblic Instruction.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Aurleville.....	Vacant.....								135	10						Aurleville.
Canajoharie.....	B. F. Romane.....	100	5	4	1		3	135	10							Canajoharie.
Caughnawaga.....	P. Forbeck.....	152	8	8	1		1	112	6			100	100	\$109 00	\$1,112 00	Fonda.
Columbia.....	H. Aurnand.....															Columbia.
Mapletown.....	Vacant.....								96	2						Root.
Mapletown.....	J. J. Quick.....	91	4		1									46 85		Root.
Epiphany.....	Vacant.....															Epiphany.
Florida.....	J. D. Krum.....	89	3	5	2		3	116			1	90	20	113 79	779 50	Florida.
Fort Plain.....	J. G. Hall.....	75	1	4	3		6	95	6	1				80 75	800 00	Fort Plain.
Fort Herkimer.....	J. L. Sparks.....															Fort Herkimer.
Fultonville.....	R. Wells.....	94	1				1	46	1				20	67 50	950 00	Fultonville.
Glen.....	A. H. Van Vranken.....	100	2					126	2	2			45	200 00	800 00	Glen.
Hagaman's Mills.....	E. Slingerland.....	50	2					74	2		40	60	60	167 43	790 00	Hagaman's Mills.
Henderson.....	D. Lord.....	60	1		1			73	1			80	80	150 00		Mohawk.
Herkimer.....	H. B. Gardner.....	150			5		4	100	7		85		130	113 83	1,143 89	Herkimer.
Manheim.....	R. M. Stansbrough.....	60	33				1	76	4	6				67 00	941 00	Manheim Center.
Indian Castle.....	C. D. Nott.....	29						13						32 00	202 00	Danube, Her. Co.
Mohawk.....	L. G. Durfee, S. S.....	63	10		2			69	15	6			16	83 86		Mohawk.
Port Jackson.....	L. H. Van Dyke.....	85	7	3	2		5	103	14	1			15		800 00	Port Jackson.
Stone Arabia.....	J. Kneekern, S. C.....	105	2		2		1	123	6				30	60 50	675 00	Stone Arabia.
St. Johnsville.....	N. Bogardus, S. S.....	41	1					20					40		500 00	St. Johnsville.
Spraker's Basin.....																Spraker's Basin.
Total.....		1334	80	94	24	1	24	1407	76	17	315	866	933	\$1,247 01	\$9,432 59	

* Corrected census.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
			Rec'd	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.	
First New Brunswick....	Vacant.....	.....	2	1	5	.....	5	819	12	.....	78	85	290	\$797 27	\$1,528 14	New Brunswick, N. J.
Six Mile Run.....	Jacob C. Sears.....	158	4	3	.....	.....	4	296	8	.....	78	85	290	712 85	1,170 87	Six Mile Run, "
Hillsborough.....	John De Witt.....	170	15	7	10	.....	2	291	15	1	100	80	250	550 00	1,450 00	Millstone, Somerset co. "
Middlebush.....	J. A. Van Doren, S. C.	80	4	4	8	.....	1	153	8	1	60	80	150	258 61	.....	Middlebush, "
Griggstown.....	Stephen Searle.....	60	4	4	6	1	2	122	6	1	50	70	85	177 60	.....	Griggstown, "
Second New Brunswick..	Hugh N. Wilson.....	120	9	5	7	1	3	223	13	2	85	.....	90	568 82	6,370 96	New Brunswick, "
Roundbrook.....	Vacant.....	.....	1	1	.....	.....	.....	43	7	.....	10	10	30	.....	.....	Roundbrook, "
Third New Brunswick....	Vacant.....	15	1	1	8	20	.....	43	7	.....	10	10	30	10 00	900 70	New Brunswick, "
East Millstone.....	David Cole.....	74	3	10	6	.....	1	111	10	1	43	23	43	290 56	1,186 70	Millstone, Somerset co. "
Metuchin.....	J. B. Thompson.....	60	13	11	1	.....	2	93	6	1	40	20	50	294 84	135 94	Metuchin, "
Total.....	Total.....	787	60	45	51	22	20	1362	85	7	416	190	1138	\$8,135 05	\$12,241 91	

Ministers without Charge, with P. O. Address.—Rev. Samuel B. How, Rev. John Proudft, Rev. Wm. J. Thompson, New Brunswick, N. J.; Rev. Wm. H. Steele, Newark, N. J.; Rev. Jacob Bazy, Missionary at Kookut, Iowa. *Candidates.*—Marshall Henshaw, Professor of Mathematics, Rutgers College, New Brunswick, N. J.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & D. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			Rec'd.	Communicants.				Total now in com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Par- poses.		
				On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.										Died.
			470	46	19	80	....	98	1145	37	4	....	600	1000	\$7,500 00	.....	{ 128 Ninth Street. 20 East 37th Street. 70 West 36th Street. 97 West 45th Street. 205 West 31st Street. 68 Hammond Street. } Bridgeport, Conn.
New York.....	Thomas De Witt..... Thos. E. Vermilye..... T. W. Chambers..... Joseph T. Duryea..... Peter Stryker.....	925 206 580	26 57 19 15 1	19 28 15 15 1	80 28 15 15 1	.... .... .... .... ....	98 4 7 389 11	1145 421 389 359 9	37 20 11 9 2	4 3 2 2 2	.... 385 275 60 300	.... 120 60 300 300	600	1000	\$7,500 00 1,373 72 1,050 00 1,090 14 5,650 00	\$15,073 18 6,000 00..........	.....
Thirty-Fourth Street.....	Thomas C. Strong.....	*115	32	52*	14	....	4	339	19	2	60	70	90	1,090 14	5,650 00	.....	205 West 31st Street.
Greenwich.....	George W. Bethune.....	190	82	26	16	....	4	330	10	4	250	30	350	2,197 88	8,269 88	.....	Bridgeport, Conn.
Twenty-First Street.....	Harvey D. Gause.....	170	24	8	11	....	8	794	33	....	175	....	350	448 91	1,539 62	.....	256 West 23d Street.
North-west 23d Street.....	J. C. Guldin.....	85	....	....	1	....	130	4	69	9	1	188	....	153	50 00	.....	123 Livingston Street.
German Evan. Miss. Ch.....	C. M. Jameson.....	100	3	2	5	....	2	216	6	2	200	40	....	158	....	.....	20th St., b't. 1st & 2d Aves.
Mt. Pleasant, 50th St.....	E. Van Aken.....	180	6	15	5	....	1	45	5	....	20	12	40	....	870 00	4,200 00	.....
Bloomington.....	J. B. Lord.....	30	4	....	6	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	30 90	.....	20 West 28th Street.
Harlem.....	C. Whitehead.....	90	3	7	2	....	2	79	5	....	102	84	100	....	184 88	1,100 00	Mott Haven, Westch'r co.
Washington Heights.....	W. T. Enyard.....	66	25	....	1	....	160	18	....	....	40	20	150	....	64 00	.....	89 Grove Street.
Ref. Ch.....	H. A. Friedel.....	160	13	6	3	....	3	809	18	4	....	60	485	....	650 00	1,800 00	Port Richmond, S. I.
Mott Haven.....	J. Brownlee.....	60	23	4	....	....	87	7	....	....	70	25	200	....	200 00	.....	Port Richmond, S. I.
8d German Reformed.....	Erskine N. White.....	20	2	....	....	....	16	....	....	....	21	12	65	....	....	.....	.....
Staten Island.....	H. B. Stryker.....	64	14	2	....	....	109	26	....	....	11	84	100	....	48 49	814 00	143 West 31st Street.
Richmond, (S. I.).....	J. H. Oerter.....	48	8	14	....	....	58	2	....	....	70	31	156	....	948 50	1,662 95	Yorkville, N. Y. City.
Huguenots, (S. I.).....	D. McL. Quackenbush.....	2543	239	227	132	1	65	4551	233	20	2032	1198	4036	.....	\$16,116 90	\$40,000 00	.....
Fourth German.....	Total.....	9343	239	227	132	1	65	4551	233	20	2032	1198	4036	.....	\$16,116 90	\$40,000 00	.....
Prospect Hill.....																	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Isaac Ferris, J. B. Hardenbergh, John Forsyth, N. J. Marsenas, A. N. Kittie, T. B. Gregory, F. Zastara, T. R. G. Peck, Charleston, S. C., and Leonard W. Kin, Jr., Missionary to China.

*Of these twenty-eight received on Confession, and forty-seven on Certificates, worship in Madison Street, under the care of Dr. Hardenbergh.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.												
Stapleton.....	Thos. H. Skinner, Jr.	65	1	11	8	242	11	200	40	220	.....	.....	.....	.....	Stapleton, S. I.
Tonkinsville.....	E. W. Hitchcock.....	20	11	2	8	184	7	146	35	175	.....	.....	.....	.....	Tonkinsville, S. I.
South Dutch.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Market Street.....	C. D. Murray.....	170	17	26	4	538	8	9	60	350	.....	.....	.....	.....	New York City.
Washington Square.....	M. S. Hutton, D. D.....	166	7	14	18	436	12	2	400	56	700	.....	.....	.....	"
Manhattan.....	E. Wiggins, D. D.....	66	7	6	.....	100	15	35	30	120	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Bushwick.....	S. H. Meeker, (S. C.).....	65	10	1	8	179	24	3	30	20	120	.....	.....	.....	Williamsburgh, L. I.
Courlandtown.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Peekskill.....	C. D. Buck.....	52	4	4	1	56	4	2	.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	Peekskill, N. Y.
Union Ref. Dutch Ch., Sixth Av.	J. C. Dutcher.....	114	4	13	15	146	5	.....	150	170	.....	.....	.....	.....	New York City.
German Ref. P. Dutch Church.....	A. Berk.....	96	31	1	.....	263	83	80	80	200	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
German Reformed.....	J. S. Ebaugh.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Ger. E. P. D. Ch., Tonkinsville.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
North Trin. R. D. Ch., of N. Y.	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Total.....		884	91	65	88	1	32	2176	169	16	861	2105	\$5,363 55	\$15,986 00		

Ministers without Charge, with P. O. Address.—Rev. Dr. J. M. Macaulay; Rev. J. B. Steele, N. Y. City; Rev. Chas. Knouse, N. Y. City; Rev. Jno. Alberts, N. Y. City; Rev. Joseph McKee, Newark, N. J.; Rev. E. A. Quin, Chaplain of the Sailor's Snug Harbor, S. I. and Rev. Benjamin Van Keuren, Chaplain of the New York Prison Association, N. Y. City. *Candidates*.—Isaac W. Warner, New Brunswick, N. J.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & E. C.		Sabath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
			On Confession.	On Certificate.												
Berea.....	J. B. Ten Eyck.....	62	1	...	...	...	68	6	1	...	...	...	\$118 50	\$600 00	St. Andrews.
Bloomington.....	Jeremiah Seale.....	110	...	4	...	4	165	4	...	60	80	...	112 00	...	Bloomington.	
Buckbrook *.....	Vacant (German).....	20	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	North Branch.
Milesville *.....	do. do.....	80	...	...	...	...	85	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Fremont Center.
Cuddebackville.....	Henry Morris.....	60	...	...	...	...	82	...	1	5	70	...	5 00	...	Cuddebackville.
Deerpark.....	Samuel W. Mills.....	115	6	3	1	3	129	4	5	80	30	167	491 81	1,929 50	Port Jervis.	
Elenville.....	E. W. Bentley.....	135	4	12	6	1	162	4	1	...	20	175	200 39	1,115 29	Elenville.	
Elenville, 2d.....	Vacant (German).....	25	...	11	5	1	38	5	...	10	8	25	5 00	150 00	do.	
Fallsburgh f.....	G. W. Conitt, P. E.....	100	...	...	...	...	168	...	...	50	45	147	...	...	Woodbourne.
Grahamville.....	David A. Jones.....	80	1	2	...	2	72	...	...	10	20	82	45 50	198 00	Grahamville.
Upper Neversink.....	do. do.....	78	...	1	...	1	11	...	...	7	14	39	15 50	116 80	Claryville.
Jeffersonville.....	John Boehr, P. E.....	84	...	1	...	...	72	22	...	...	14	59	57 00	...	Jeffersonville.
Thumansville.....	do. do.....	88	3	...	...	...	95	11	...	8	24	81	64 00	...	Thumansville.
Mamakating.....	John Dubois.....	85	2	...	...	...	89	...	1	...	...	...	...	519 00	Wurtsborough.
Middieport.....	J. Van Vleck, S. S.....	100	...	...	...	1	62	2	...	...	28	70	27 00	...	Kerhansen.
Wawarsing.....	do. do.....	185	...	2	...	3	116	1	...	46	50	145	19 01	640 00	Napanoch.	
Minisink.....	Vacant.....	25	2	...	...	...	46	...	1	18	93	50	12 00	350 00	Montague.
A. B. Van Zandt.....	G. H. Mandeville.....	175	3	1	3	3	300	...	...	175	150	...	564 46	3,250 00	Montgomery.
Newburgh.....	L. L. Comfort.....	190	18	19	4	9	397	6	6	40	100	140	597 73	2,195 50	Newburgh.	
New Hurley.....	William Hamilton.....	175	8	1	6	2	184	17	1	130	70	356	409 59	826 10	New Hurley.	
New Prospect.....	Charles Scott, S. O.....	195	3	4	4	4	193	8	...	45	63	160	145 00	750 00	Usterville.	
Shawangunk.....	M. V. Schoonmaker.....	215	4	...	...	6	278	18	...	75	120	185	271 75	725 00	Rhynswick.
Walden.....	Alex. McWilliam f.....	185	1	1	...	...	173	...	...	109	80	90	273 00	580 00	Walden.
Walpack.....	...	150	11	1	1	3	214	30	4	...	40	165	50 00	2,000 00	Bushkill, Pa.	
Total.....	...	2157	63	67	7	89	2881	148	21	534	929	2212	\$3,880 94	\$15,441 19	...	

* Estimated, these Churches probably extinct. † Last year's report. ‡ Nathan W. Jones, S. B., Dingman's Ferry. Ministers without charge.—Joshua Boyd, Newburgh; W. E. Hoyer (emeritus), Newburgh; Robert Pitts, Stroudsburg, Pa. Deceased.—J. P. Plaster, dismissed to Classis of Philadelphia; Cornelius Gates, dismissed to Classis of Albany.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Clarkstown.....	Peter J. Quick.....	100	3	3	5	...	1	4	150	1	...	32	...	\$211 78	...	Nyack Turnpike, N. Y.	
Tappan.....	Isaac D. Cole.....	120	4	6	6	5	...	2	142	83	...	50	...	162 29	\$600 00	Tappan, N. Y.	
Acquacknonk.....	J. Paschal Strong, (S. C.).....	210	13	3	2	...	...	2	293	83	1	150	30	1,185 00	8,900 00	Passaic, N. J.
1st Church, Totowa.....	Alex. McKelvey.....	155	16	11	4	...	...	5	190	15	...	200	150	481 19	2,684 88	Paterson, "
2d Church, Totowa.....	John H. Duryea.....	180	8	8	4	4	1	4	283	20	...	150	30	820 06	1,100 00	Paterson, "	
Paramus.....	E. Tanjore Corwin.....	195	4	1	3	...	...	3	165	6	...	200	20	425 61	789 90	Hoboken, "
Pascack.....	John T. Demarest.....	70	2	4	3	...	...	2	86	4	...	40	...	59 97	...	Pascack, "
Saddle River.....	John Manly.....	80	...	2	1	...	...	1	117	6	...	30	...	40 60 00	300 00	Money, N. Y.
Ramapo.....	Wm. Demarest.....	52	...	1	3	6	1	...	52	5	...	25	95	129 57	...	Sumner, "	
West New Hempstead.....	Peter Allen.....	63	3	3	3	6	...	2	85	6	...	...	...	159 57	559 00	Spring Valley, "
Warwick.....	Ferdinand H. Vanderveer.....	80	2	4	...	...	...	1	97	2	...	...	...	140 00	...	Warwick, "
Nyack.....	Uriah Marvin.....	145	7	5	4	...	...	3	215	1	...	170	70	175 00	1,550 00	Nyack, "
Piermont.....	Henry E. Decker.....	64	5	7	4	...	3	8	100	3	...	85	85	180 50	1,208 00	Piermont, "	
Holland Church, Paterson.....	No Report.....	182	7	11	...	...	...	...	102	25	...	40	...	...	...	Paterson, N. J.
Holland Church, Lodi.....	James Huyssoon.....	182	7	11	...	...	...	...	102	25	...	40	...	...	...	Paterson, N. J.
Total.....	Total.....	1626	75	78	88	5	82	2082	147	1	1112	860	1880	\$3,478 19	\$8,809 88		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. P. Peitz, Cor. Sec'y. For. Miss. Board. Candidates.—Wm. G. Hazelberth.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Boardville, M. S.....	Jas. E. Barnard, Miss'y.	40	1	1	1	4	2	178	4	...	39	...	70	\$40 00	.....	Pompton, N. J.
Fairfield.....	Joseph Wilson.....	90	8	7	1	1	1	194	7	3	69	55	100	80 00	.....	Little Falls, N. J.
Little Falls.....	J. C. Cruikshank.....	60	2	2	1	3	3	182	14	1	40	30	100	213 07	.....	Little Falls, N. J.
Montville.....	Nathaniel Cooklin.....	141	1	1	3	8	4	205	13	11	139	65	200	244 58	.....	Boonton, N. J.
Pompton Plains.....	J. Ferguson Harris.....	181	5	2	1	3	2	173	11	...	69	59	150	847 00	.....	Pompton Plains, N. J.
Pompton.....	John Gaston, S. C.....	125	1	3	1	1	2	65	8	...	29	90	120	125 00	.....	Pompton, N. J.
Ponds.....	R. V. Collins.....	89	1	1	4	1	...	68	7	...	110	33	120	...	.....	Pompton, N. J.
Preakness.....	Vacant.....	80	6	1	1	1	2	92	13	...	85	...	125	44 06	.....	Paterson, N. J.
Stone House Plains.....	P. Stryker Talmage.....	90	1	3	1	3	1	117	9	...	45	25	70	63 50	.....	Bloomfield, N. J.
Wyckoff.....	A. G. Ryerson.....	100	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	Godwinville, N. J.
Total.....		956	26	18	13	8	14	1181	86	4	600	363	1125	\$952 51	\$473 63	

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Harlingen	John Gardner	160	4	5	...	2	927	22	1	40	80	920	...	...	Harlingen, N. J.
Readington	John Van Liew	180	11	4	...	6	921	9	...	...	...	200	\$501 96	...	Readington, "
Ne-Shanic	Gabriel Ludlow	184	5	1	...	8	210	14	...	60	50	177	438 00	630 00	Ne-Shanic, "
1st Church, Philadelphia.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Philadelphia, Pa.
2d do.	William J. R. Taylor	115	7	11	...	4	954	4	8	343	25	592	645 00	5,533 19	do.
3d do.	A. O. Halsey .....	...	4	5	...	3	204	8	2	138	170	148	1,500 00	4,000 00	do.
N. & S. Hampton	A. W. Knowlton .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	do.
Blawenburgh	T. B. Romeyn, (S. C.)	100	5	1	1	3	131	10	2	50	75	...	420 00	700 00	Blawenburgh, N. J.
Stanton	H. Doollittle	85	13	3	5	6	179	6	7	70	14	75	...	...	Stanton, "
Manayunk	W. Fulton .....	...	12	3	...	4	147	6	1	...	20	105	...	...	Manayunk, Pa.
Rocky Hill	M. L. Scheuck	60	5	4	...	3	61	3	2	...	30	85	125 00	...	Rocky Hill, N. J.
Total .....	...	894	57	32	44	1	1664	82	18	600	414	1632	\$3,448 00	\$11,795 15	...

Minister without Charge.—Rev. C. P. Mack. *Licensed.*—Charles Collins, Jr. *Candidates.*—Abraham Thompson.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census.	Communicants.						Bap.	C. & R. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.			
			Number of Families.	Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.		Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number in Biblical Instruction.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.	
				On Confession.	On Certificate.											Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
1st Church Poughkeepsie.	Geo. M. McKee.	185	5	9	5	...	4	299	8	1	25	100	248	\$739 42	Poughkeepsie.		
2d Church Poughkeepsie.	C. S. Hageman, (S. C.).	165	5	4	4	...	3	194	7	...	25	50	150	969 25	Poughkeepsie.		
Fishkill.	Francis M. Kip.	85	4	4	...	...	2	197	1	...	70	...	80	455 02	Fishkill.
Hopewell.	Oliver E. Cobb	90	8	5	3	...	4	261	10	4	40	40	180	544 41	Adrian.		
New Hackensack.	Cornelius Van Cleef.	115	4	3	1	1	3	255	4	2	...	...	160	491 63	New Hackensack.
Fishkill Landing.	John H. Suydam.	110	14	4	9	...	3	150	10	8	100	70	150	375 80	Fishkill Landing.		
Rhinebeck.	H. R. Timlow.	153	2	3	1	1	2	251	3	2	70	...	100	850 00	Rhinebeck.		
Hyde Park.	Henry Daler.	85	3	...	15	...	149	3	...	...	...	...	60	56 63	Hyde Park.
Greenbush.	Herman Vedder.	90	1	4	1	...	150	2	...	...	...	...	40	90 00	Pine Plains.
Glenham.	Edwin Holmes, (S. S.).	43	4	4	1	...	70	4	...	40	40	40	50	94 00	Glenham.		
Cold Spring.	C. E. V. Romondt, (S. S.).	20	...	1	...	...	1	13	...	...	...	...	35	...	Cold Spring, Putnam Co.
Total	Total	1112	49	41	39	4	23	1994	46	13	370	300	1193	\$3,766 16			

Ministers without Charge, with Post Office Address.—Rev. William A. Cornell, Poughkeepsie; William A. Miller, Albany; S. A. Van Vechten, Fishkill;
Rev. John B. Drury, Missionary at Davenport, Iowa.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Communicants.										Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Census.	Number of Families.	Rec'd		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com-munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu-mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average	Religious and Bene-volent Purposes.	Congregational Pur-poses.			
				On Confession.	On Certificate.														
1st Raritan.....	Abraham Messler, D.D.	190	6	9	12	4	456	4	1	60	...	215	...	...	...	...	Somerville, N. J.
Bedminster.....	William Brush.....	120	8	6	8	4	244	9	3	...	...	275	...	...	...	...	"
Rockaway.....	Smith Sturges.....	110	5	4	2	2	147	6	8	80	...	100	...	...	...	...	White House, "
Lebanon.....	B. Van Amburgh.....	150	8	4	2	2	181	30	6	...	...	150	...	...	...	...	"
North Branch.....	P. M. Doollittle.....	95	5	4	1	...	129	8	...	40	...	70	...	...	...	...	Lebanon, "
2d Raritan.....	J. F. Mesick, (S. C.).....	150	15	17	13	1	326	15	3	100	...	200	...	...	...	...	North Branch, "
Pea Pack.....	Henry P. Thompson.....	104	12	7	2	...	168	12	9	70	...	140	...	...	...	...	Somerville, "
Branchville.....	William Pitcher.....	100	7	5	5	...	140	8	...	70	...	80	...	...	...	...	Pea Pack, "
3d Raritan.....	James Lefevre.....	114	14	15	13	...	211	13	4	112	...	100	...	...	...	...	South Branch, "
Easton.....	C. H. Edgar.....	46	3	1	1	...	65	4	...	40	...	60	...	...	...	...	Raritan, Pa. "
Warren.....	J. F. Neef.....	44	9	1	...	...	82	9	...	21	...	60	...	...	...	...	Easton, Pa. "
Plainfield.....	J. F. Neef.....	26	4	...	...	...	56	6	...	5	...	20	...	...	...	...	Martinsville, N. J.
Total.....	Total.....	1249	91	73	74	1	2175	124	24	598	332	1370	\$1,586 49	\$3,127 16					

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Alexander McOelland, D. D., Rev. John Van Der Veer, D. D., Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, D. D.,

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & R. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.		Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.
Bloominggrove.....	J. A. Staats.....	80	37	7	...	35	20	\$200 00	Defreestville.	
Castleton.....	E. L. Hermance.....	100	3	11	5	124	6	7	...	75	1,000 00	Castleton.	
Chatham.....	C. S. Mead.....	110	12	5	...	...	...	90	8	...	...	125	\$112 00	1,260 00	Chatham Four Corners.
1st Ghent.....	W. W. Letson.....	69	6	...	...	...	...	65	1	...	...	15	80	550 00	Ghent.
2d Ghent.....	J. H. Van Woert.....	129	1	3	3	3	...	123	11	3	...	100	900 00	725 00	Hudson.		
Greenbush.....	P. Q. Wilson.....	160	1	3	4	...	...	23	9	...	...	100	...	9,000 00	East Greenbush.
Kinderhook.....	J. R. Berry.....	240	1	5	5	5	1	4	305	3	...	100	1,000 00	1,400 00	Kinderhook.		
Nassau.....	R. H. Steele.....	140	3	5	4	...	...	2	255	5	...	40	940 00	1,000 00	Nassau.
New Concord.....	Josiah Jansen.....	60	1	1	1	...	...	58	5	...	24	23	50 52	839 45	East Chatham.
Schoedack.....	B. F. Syder.....	116	3	2	7	...	...	157	5	1	...	...	480 75	1,150 00	Schoedack Landing.
Schoedack Landing.....	E. Nevius.....	110	3	...	...	...	...	108	...	...	...	...	479 11	615 01	Suyvesant.
Suyvesant.....	M. Swick.....	45	1	...	...	3	1	42	...	...	...	...	80	...	Suyvesant Falls.
Total.....		1401	49	84	20	2	38	1494	51	14	62	203	\$2,672 38	\$17,502 46			

Minister without Charge.—Rev. M. Holmes, Poughkeepsie.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.
West Troy.....	O. H. Gregory.....	115	12	5	8	887	15	...	...	40	80	\$387 84	\$1,500 00	West Troy.
South West Troy.....	G. L. Roof.....	90	2	...	2	192	8	...	...	...	85	80 00	850 00	West Troy.
Wynantskill.....	J. Stevenson.....	26	2	1	1	58	1	1	20	12	85	61 00	600 00	Wynantskill.	
Boght.....	J. W. Major.....	47	6	...	6	65	1	...	...	10	25	35 00	400 00	Cohoes.
Waterford.....	R. Van Brunt.....	75	...	...	2	90	...	...	...	...	60	8 00	390 00	Waterford.
Cohoes.....	C. N. Waldron, S. C.....	140	21	13	6	233	14	8	50	75	140	205 59	2,130 00	Cohoes.	
Rensselaer.....	J. H. Bevier.....	40	...	...	...	44	2	...	...	25	30	19 25	...	Newtonville.
Union Village.....	John Steele.....	80	1	2	8	194	2	...	80	12	40	450 00	1,000 00	Greenwich.	
Saratoga.....	A. G. Lansing.....	80	1	7	...	115	...	...	1	50	80	150 00	700 00	Schuylerville.
Tionesta.....	T. A. Gardner.....	45	4	3	7	178	1	8	51	51	85	65 00	521 58	Buskirk's Bridge.	
Easton.....	Vacant.....	40	...	...	...	53	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	North Easton.
Schaghticoke.....	Vacant*.....	40	...	...	6	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Schaghticoke.
Northumberland.....	G. McCartney.....	70	...	...	2	116	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Northumberland.
Gansevoort.....	G. McCartney.....	80	...	...	...	89	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jackson.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort Miller.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	Total.....	898	83	81	21	1604	44	8	201	253	600	\$1,551 19	\$5,951 53	...	

Ministers without Charge.—O. Van Santvoord, Chaplain 20th Regt. N. Y. & V. Schenectady; John Smith, Troy.
 * Supplied by Rev. R. Van Brunt.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
		Census.	Number of Families.	Rec'd	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
1st Schenectady.....	E. E. Seelye.....	290	8	4	4	...	11	396	2	2	...	190	\$650 00	\$4555 00	Schenectady.
2d ".....	Vacant.....	82	1	1	5	...	...	75	8	...	...	7	...	2110 00	"
3d ".....	W. F. Schalk.....	44	6	...	...	...	...	114	16	...	6	25	44	637 85	"
Helderberg.....	W. P. Davis.....	250	...	...	...	...	...	285	25	...	...	250	170 00	700 00	Guilderland Center.
Amity.....	W. G. E. See.....	85	4	1	3	...	...	110	11	3	...	110	114 57	550 00	Vischer's Ferry.
1st Glenville.....	G. H. Peake*.....	150	4	6	1	...	...	204	8	...	...	183	113 09	552 21	Glenville.
2d ".....	P. Berry.....	100	3	...	...	...	...	63	...	...	...	...	...	...	Schenectady.
1st Rotterdam.....	C. Jones.....	100	3	...	...	...	...	88	...	...	...	...	...	...	Schenectady.
2d ".....	R. L. Schoonmaker.....	95	3	1	...	...	...	107	5	3	...	150	...	600 00	Hoffman's Ferry.
Niskayuna.....	J. A. DeBaun.....	100	3	1	...	...	...	161	6	...	...	...	143 78	600 00	Schenectady.
Isaiah's Kill.....	".....	62	1	...	...	...	...	100	2	1	...	30	120 00	500 00	Niskayuna.
Princeton.....	D. B. Hall.....	80	1	...	...	...	...	105	7	...	...	...	35 00	800 00	Dunsville.
Day.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	West Day.
Total.....	Total.....	1438	45	16	24	...	31	1808	85	9	294	292	\$1454 01	\$11,335 01	

* Pastor elect.

Ministers without charge.—Rev. A. J. Swin, Schenectady; Rev. J. H. Seelye, Amherst College; Rev. I. G. Duryea, B. C., Stated Supply, Fort Jackson, Montgomery Co.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.		Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
				On Confession.	On Certificate.											
Schoharie.....	C. E. Crispell.....	91	8	1	2	4	1	138	5	.....	11	51	\$198 57	\$339 63	Schoharie.
Middleburgh.....	E. Vedder, S. C.....	78	.....	2	.....	3	3	106	2	.....	28	55	100 17	600 00	Middleburgh.
Schoharie Mt.....	E. Vedder, S. S.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	3	.....	25	50	3 00	175 00	Middleburgh.
Bern.....	E. Miller.....	60	6	1	1	.....	1	100	1	3	30	.....	68 00	200 00	Bern.
Beaver Dam.....	E. Miller.....	54	15	.....	2	.....	.....	79	.....	7	.....	.....	20 70	270 69	Bern.
Lawyerville.....	H. A. Raymond.....	65	1	1	.....	.....	3	89	8	.....	12	25	23 08	335 00	Lawyerville.
Sharon.....	H. A. Raymond.....	80	1	.....	.....	.....	3	95	3	.....	12	20	20 63	375 00	Lawyerville.
Gilboa.....	Vacant.....	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	138	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	Gilboa.
North Blenheim.....	T. L. Shafer.....	42	1	2	.....	.....	.....	53	.....	1	.....	14	23 34	340 00	North Blenheim.
Breakabin.....	T. L. Shafer.....	25	1	2	1	1	1	34	3	.....	.....	19	200 00	300 00	North Blenheim.
Gallupville.....	J. M. Compton.....	55	4	3	1	.....	2	89	5	1	15	69	13 95	510 00	Gallupville.
Knox.....	J. M. Compton.....	23	1	.....	7	.....	1	65	1	.....	.....	22	17 50	260 00	Gallupville.
Emmence.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cobleskill.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	Total.....	722	33	12	16	5	14	1045	80	12	175	208	\$492 94	\$4,325 87		

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average	Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Census.	Rec'd.		Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Communion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechumens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Religious and Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Blue Mountain.....	C. Blauvelt.....	90	4	7	.....	.....	.....	108	15	.....	45	25	\$45 75	\$500 00	Saugerties.
Caatsban.....	Vacant.....	100	3	3	7	.....	1	167	11	.....	.....	.....	167 91	.....	Saugerties.
Esopus.....	Vacant ^a	135	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Flatbush.....	J. Minor.....	120	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 119	18	1	100	50	95 55	736 59	Glasco.
Kingston.....	J. C. F. Hoos.....	198	2	3	.....	.....	.....	8 819	18	.....	110	50	1,338 67	8,404 84	Kingston.
North Esopus.....	C. L. Van Dyke.....	95	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	119	16	.....	73	.....	200 00	950 00	Fort Ewen.
Pattskill.....	N. F. Chapman, S. O.....	175	1	4	3	.....	6	241	17	.....	30	.....	73	100 00	Glasco.
Saugerties.....	J. Elmendorf.....	180	4	9	8	1	3	*198	5	.....	80	40	800 00	1,562 00	Saugerties.
Shokan.....	Vacant ^a	60	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*108	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Shokan.
Shandaken.....	Vacant ^a	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	*87	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Shokan.
West Hurley.....	C. Case.....	56	5	1	.....	.....	5	72	1	2	15	22	45 00	400 00	West Hurley.
Woodstock.....	W. L. James.....	50	6	1	5	2	8	78	1	.....	.....	.....	9 65	.....	Woodstock.
Total.....		1289	83	28	23	3	30	1826	82	8	405	157	\$2,192 58	\$7,887 93	

Wiltwick Missionary Station supplied by Rev. W. A. Shaw, Kingston.

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. H. Ostrander, D.D., J. Gosman, D.D., Saugerties; Rev. W. R. & Betts, J. McFarlane.

^a Last report.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & R. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
1st Tarrytown.....	Abel T. Stewart.....	86	8	8	3	1	2	173	6	1	45	42	70	\$247 15	\$2,592 65	Tarrytown, Westchester Co. N. Y.
2d Tarrytown.....	John A. Todd.....	94	4	12	12	...	1	185	2	1	45	80	85	1,692 45	1,021 47	"
Unionville.....	W. S. Moore, (S. C.).....	40	...	...	3	...	4	80	...	...	20	15	25	63 75	454 00	Neperan, " "
Greenburgh.....	W. S. Moore.....	35	1	1	2	...	1	26	...	...	10	12	25	10 00	296 00	"
Greenville.....	John H. Pitcher.....	42	1	1	...	...	...	66	...	...	...	...	30	16 29	2,435 00	Scarsdale, " "
Yonkers.....	Victor M. Hulbert.....	100	5	4	4	...	2	130	22	1	42	84	100	163 90	1,964 70	Yonkers, " "
Hastings.....	Henry H. Johnson.....	47	3	2	1	...	1	80	8	...	...	12	65	430 14	1,737 21	Hastings-upon-Hudson, " "
Fordham.....	James Bolton.....	37	2	4	1	...	1	59	...	...	40	40	35	60 00	800 00	Fordham, Westchester Co. N. Y.
Mount Vernon.....	Isaac M. See.....	38	15	2	6	...	2	92	6	3	106	73	50	61 75	651 15	Mount Vernon, " "
West Farms.....	Polhemus Van Wyck.....	70	3	4	2	...	3	94	4	...	75	50	145	30 00	950 00	West Farms, " "
Bronxville.....	W. Roosevelt.....	50	8	...	...	...	...	58	...	...	...	...	30	100 00	...	Pelham, " "
Melrose, (German).....	Jacob Dahmann.....	52	13	...	...	4	...	66	26	...	15	18	100	18 00	484 00	Morrisania, " "
	Total.....	691	52	44	36	5	17	1119	70	6	398	428	763	\$2,895 43	\$13,956 16	

Minister without Charge.—Ernst Schroepler, Morrisania, N. Y. Candidate.—A. Watson, Sing Sing, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES.	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
			Rec'd.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.	
Franklin.....	Vacant.....	24	4	4	54	7	36	\$74 75	
Bethlehem.....	Vacant.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	60	13	.....	45	.....	.....	84 04	\$21 75
Holland.....	J. Van der Meulen.....	66	7	2	1	.....	131	26	.....	58	.....	.....	119 65	305 65
Oostburg.....	R. Van der Schuer.....	83	17	.....	.....	1	193	24	.....	50	.....	.....	293 50	374 96
Gibbsville.....	Vacant.....	33	7	2	1	.....	63	7	.....	30	.....	83	121 37	124 87
Alto.....	M. A. Ypma.....	78	12	2	.....	.....	121	24	.....	150	.....	.....	820 00	1700 00
Milwaukee.....	Vacant.....	50	1	2	14	2	*114	26	.....	40	.....	100	250 00	259 00
First Chicago.....	T. Bolkes, S. C.....	66	4	1	1	.....	83	23	.....	65	.....	.....	400 00	500 00
Second Chicago.....	J. M. Ferris.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	55 10	300 00
Sheboygan Falls.....	Vacant.....	9	3	.....	.....	.....	20	3	.....	9	.....	.....	17 39	.....
High Prairie.....	".....	50	11	4	3	.....	99	13	.....	45	.....	.....	200 25	262 84
Low Prairie.....	".....	60	5	3	2	1	134	21	.....	50	.....	.....	117 30	.....
North Creek.....	".....	16	.....	.....	1	.....	24	4	.....	12	.....	.....	13 75	192 00
Silver Creek.....	John Muller.....	125	18	1	.....	.....	108	.....	.....	36	.....	103	.....	1000 00
Total.....	Total.....	730	83	40	28	18	1337	191	.....	659	.....	338	\$2,023 00	\$5,673 37

* 90 succeeded from Milwaukee.

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REF. PROT. DUTCH CHURCH FOR THE YEAR 1862.

CLASSES.	Churches.	Ministers.	Candidates.	Number of Families.	On Confession.	Received.	New in Communion.	Baptized.		Number of Catechumens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Total Number of S. & Scholars.	Contributions.		STATED CLERKS.
								Infants.	Adults.				Religious and Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Classis of Albany.....	17	15	1	1292	61	37	2297	84	12	831	670	1449	\$5,077 80	\$19,760 88	Rev. Isaac N. Wyckoff.
Classis of Arcot.....	6	7	1	2003	27	70	216	32	18	142	.....	50	955 50	.....	Rev. Eckiel C. Scudder.
Classis of Bergen.....	23	31	6	2280	122	92	2954	262	7	1084	1817	2963	8,546 00	30,709 00	Rev. Alexander H. Warner.
Classis of Cayuga.....	12	12	.....	730	389	22	901	32	21	430	370	916	337 93	6,346 56	Rev. John Garretson.
Classis of Geneva.....	16	15	.....	1001	339	22	1584	67	11	478	849	890	1,578 21	8,554 94	Rev. George J. Van Neste.
Classis of Holland.....	10	10	.....	1218	187	73	1490	37	23	490	945	975	1,938 73	12,678 65	Rev. Samuel T. Searle.
Classis of Hudson.....	8	8	.....	597	99	13	9017	860	2	1204	.....	671	4,125 35	9,923 84	Rev. A. Zwemer.
Classis of Illinois.....	10	12	.....	892	40	42	547	41	7	78	147	492	915 91	1,938 12	Rev. David D. Demarest.
Classis of Kingston.....	12	12	.....	1210	80	26	1386	125	23	510	460	1111	9,353 79	10,598 56	Rev. John S. Joraborn.
North Classis of Long Island.....	14	19	.....	1286	65	96	1920	97	17	1065	1049	3167	6,338 46	22,169 36	Rev. Bond. C. Lippincott.
South Classis of Long Island.....	14	17	.....	1501	158	184	2693	177	35	1302	937	2405	11,000 13	29,904 40	Rev. John McC. Holmes.
Classis of Michigan.....	10	6	.....	252	6	12	384	5	1	40	80	375	77 44	1,090 00	Rev. William Bailey.
Classis of Montgomery.....	8	9	.....	535	35	12	843	15	18	320	277	540	1,169 51	7,991 52	Rev. A. C. Millsbaugh.
Classis of New Brunswick.....	22	18	.....	1394	90	24	1407	76	17	815	366	903	1,247 01	9,432 59	Rev. Joseph Kolfschtern.
Classis of New York.....	10	12	1	737	60	46	1362	85	7	416	190	1133	8,133 05	12,241 91	Rev. J. A. Van Doren.
Classis of Orange.....	18	30	.....	2343	239	227	4581	232	29	2082	1198	4056	16,116 90	40,609 63	Rev. N. J. Marschus.
South Classis of New York.....	14	18	.....	884	91	65	2176	169	16	561	421	2105	5,393 55	15,956 60	Rev. S. H. Meeker.
Classis of Orange.....	24	21	.....	2157	63	67	2881	143	21	854	929	2213	3,370 94	15,541 19	Rev. Charles Scott.
Classis of Passaic.....	15	15	1	1626	75	73	2052	147	1	1112	860	1850	3,478 19	8,909 88	Rev. J. Paschal Strong.
Classis of Passaic.....	10	9	.....	956	26	18	1181	86	4	600	363	1125	932 51	473 63	Rev. John Gaston.
Classis of Passaic.....	11	11	2	884	57	32	1664	82	13	600	414	1633	3,445 00	11,795 15	Rev. Theo. B. Romeyn.
Classis of Philadelphia.....	11	15	.....	1112	49	41	1994	46	13	370	300	1193	3,766 16	.....	Rev. Charles S. Hageman.
Classis of Philadelphia.....	12	14	.....	1240	91	73	2175	124	24	538	352	1370	1,536 49	8,137 16	Rev. John F. Meick.
Classis of Rensselaer.....	13	13	.....	1401	43	34	1494	51	14	62	908	1133	2,673 33	17,552 46	Rev. Elbert Noyes.
Classis of Rensselaer.....	12	13	.....	693	35	21	1604	44	8	201	255	690	1,521 13	5,351 53	Rev. Charles N. Waldron.
Classis of Saratoga.....	13	13	.....	1433	45	16	1895	83	9	294	292	1257	1,454 01	11,185 06	Rev. Isaac G. Duryee.
Classis of Schoenectady.....	14	6	.....	723	83	12	1645	80	12	178	293	574	4325 37	4,325 37	Rev. Edwin Veder.
Classis of Schenectady.....	12	12	.....	1259	83	25	1896	82	3	405	187	759	2,792 53	7,857 93	Rev. Nathan F. Chapman.
Classis of Ulster.....	12	12	1	691	52	44	1119	70	6	395	425	763	2,895 43	13,936 15	Rev. William S. Moore.
Classis of Westchester.....	12	6	.....	730	53	40	1237	191	.....	639	.....	338	2,025 00	5,673 37	Rev. S. Bolke.
Classis of Wisconsin.....	14	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Total.....	419	429	8	38132	2034	1590	51228	3086	387	18392	12537	40517	\$101,641 69	\$357,907 77	.....

ARTICLE VII.

SYNODICAL REFERENCES.

The Committee on Synodical Minutes reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows :

The Committee on Synodical Minutes report that they have examined the Minutes of General Synod and of the Particular Synods of New York, Albany and Chicago, and they find nothing claiming the attention of this Synod, except on the Minutes of the Particular Synod of New York, page 54, the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That as the present year is the three hundredth since the publication of our Confession of Faith and the Heidelberg Catechism, it be recommended to the General Synod to appoint some suitable day to be observed as an anniversary in commemoration of that event, with recommendations that all our ministry shall preach on the occasion, and make a collection for the benefit of our Institutions at New Brunswick.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC D. COLE, *Chairman*.

The resolution in the above report was referred to the Committee on the Centenary Celebration of the Belgic Confession.

The Committee presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Special Committee on an Overture from the Classis of Westchester, requesting General Synod to make proper arrangements for holding a tri-centennial celebration of the adoption by our Church of the Belgic Confession of Faith, respectfully report that a similar reference on this subject is found on the Minutes of the Particular Synod of New York, as follows :

Resolved, That as the present year is the three hundredth since the publication of our Confession of Faith and the Heidelberg Catechism, it be recommended to the General Synod to appoint some suitable day to be observed as an anniversary in commemoration of that event, with recommendations that all our ministers shall preach on the occasion, and make a collection for the benefit of our Institutions at New Brunswick.

Your Committee consider the matter submitted to them deserving the recommendation of General Synod to all the Churches of our denomination, believing that much useful information may thus be imparted to our people respecting the history and value of that Confession, and that much good may be accomplished by a unanimous effort as proposed in the aforesaid references.

Your Committee, therefore, submit the following resolutions :

1. That the second Sabbath in September next be appointed as the day for a tri-centennial celebration of the adoption of the Belgic Confession, when all our Churches be requested to hold a special service at their usual hour of morning worship, on which occasion every pastor be requested to preach a sermon appropriate to the commemoration of that historical event.

2. That it be recommended to our Consistories to open lists for the record of the names and donations of those who will contribute to the realization of a sum on that day, or within a short specified period, to be paid to the Treasurer of General Synod, for the benefit of our Church Building Fund; and that said Treasurer report the success of the effort to the next General Synod.

3. That the Stated Clerk publish these resolutions in the *Christian Intelligencer* in three consecutive issues previous to said anniversary.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

W. R. GORDON, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE VIII.

SYNODICAL APPEALS.

An appeal from James Edwards, a member of the Church at Fort Plain, from the action of the Particular Synod of Albany in reference to said Church, was received and referred to the Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business.

The Committee on Overtures presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business would respectfully present the following report, viz :

There has been submitted to them, through the Synod, a communication purporting to be a complaint, signed by James Edwards, an elder of the Church of Fort Plain, embodying a complaint made to the Classis of Montgomery, signed by three elders, two deacons, two members of the great Consistory, one member of the Church, and eight members of the congregation. It appears this last complaint (from the communication before us) was referred to the Committee on Overtures of the Classis of Montgomery.

The pastor of the Church of Fort Plain, the Rev. J. G. Hall, requested that immediate action should be taken upon it. The Committee retired with the Rev. Mr. Hall and four elders of the Church. The Committee reported in favor of the appointment of a Special Committee to visit the Church at Fort Plain. It was resolved to table the whole proceedings, after which, at the request of the Delegate from the Church at Fort Plain, a Committee was appointed.

The Committee notified the parties that they would visit Fort Plain on the 28th of April. Rev. Mr. Hall, for certain reasons assigned, requested the Committee to postpone action for one month, his petition being signed by a few persons. The Committee granted the request of the petitioners, which brought about an appeal to the Particular Synod of Albany, thus leaving us as though there was no judicature which has jurisdiction in the case. The undersigned feeling aggrieved, asks the General Synod to take cognizance of the whole matter.

It appears that an appeal was prosecuted by the Rev. J. G. Hall before the Particular Synod of Albany; and inasmuch as the subject matter of complaint is not brought up regularly by appeal from the decision of the Particular Synod of Albany, but as a communication by an order to the General Synod, in the absence of all documents save the printed minutes of the Particular Synod of Albany, your Committee would recommend that the complainant have leave to withdraw his communication, and that the Classis of Montgomery be directed (if necessity so require) to take original action in the premises.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. TEN EYCK, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE IX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE X.

DOCTRINES AND MORALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XI.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XII.

SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Thirtieth Annual Report of the Board of Education was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Treasurer's Report of the Board of Education was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Twenty-second Annual Report of the Board of Sabbath School Union was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Treasurer's Report of the Board of Sabbath School Union was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A report from the Arcot Mission was presented by the Corresponding Secretary of the Board, and referred to the Committee on Missions.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Sabbath School Union whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were elected: Rev. T. E. Vermilye, D.D., B. C. Taylor, D.D., John C. Guldin, Polhemus Van Wyck, and Messrs. Thomas Jeremiah, John S. Bussing, Abraham Bogardus, Jacob Brouwer, Charles S. Little, William Wood, Abraham Van Nest, John Delamater.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Education whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Rev. M. S. Hutton, D.D., John H. Manning, Joseph T. Duryea, W. H. Ten Eyck, G. H. Mandeville, Messrs. F. J. Hosford, Peter R. Warner, Johnson Letson.

The Committee on Education presented the following Report, which was accepted, and adopted:

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION.

The Committee on Education having examined the documents placed in their hands, beg leave to submit the following Report:

Previous to August 1st, of the past year, the duties of the office of Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Education, which has been vacated by the resignation of Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, D.D., were performed by Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck. At that date, the Rev. John L. Sea, who was duly elected to fill the vacancy, entered upon the office, and is now the acting Secretary of the Board.

FUNDS.

From examination of the Report respecting the Van Benschoten Fund, it appears that the balance on hand, April 1st, 1861, being interest unappropriated, is..... \$1,532 88
Receipts of Interest to April 1st, 1862..... 1,171 40

Total..... \$2,704 28

Disbursements to April 1st, 1862.....	1,462 50
Balance on hand unappropriated, April 1st, 1862.....	1,241 78
Amount invested.....	20,013 57
On hand, for investment.....	300 00
Unpaid Interest.....	60 00
The Knox Fund of \$2,000 is fully invested. Interest received on the same, May 1st, 1861.....	
	120 00
Amount of invested fund besides the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds.....	45,500 00
Amount of Interest from invested funds.....	2,936 68
Balance on hand, April 30th, 1862.....	719 89
There has been received during the past year for Educational purposes, from the Churches.....	
	5,335 57
From Individuals.....	2,108 92
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Making total of.....	\$7,444 49

Being \$1,888 89 less than the amount received last year, and \$2,337 65 less than received the year next preceding. During the past year there have been eighty-nine beneficiaries under the care of the Board. Of these, thirty-one have been pursuing their studies in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick; thirty-one in Rutgers College, *one* in the Grammar School at New Brunswick, *two* in the Holland Academy, and one in Union College. Deducting from this total of eighty-nine, the number recently graduated from our Theological Seminary, and the number who have left for other causes, there remained under the care of the Board at the close of the fiscal year, May 1st, 1862, sixty-nine. The Board is now paying the amount of sixty-four full appropriations. It will be seen that there has been a serious falling off in the receipts of the Board. This may be attributed in part to the unavoidable interruption occasioned by a change in the secretaryship and in part to the financial embarrassment of the times. But the chief cause is without doubt, to be found in the apathy of the Churches. Is it not a humiliating fact that *less than one-third* of our Churches contribute to the funds of this Board? Why is this? Can we suppose that the confidence of the Church in the *object* of the Board is shaken?—that she has lent her sympathy to a theory we are pained to hear put forth with such dangerous distinctness from high places,—a theory that would countenance the sending forth of men to preach the Gospel who have not been carefully educated for the work? Is she prepared to join in a crusade to demolish our Theological Seminaries and declare every Professional chair vacant? We cannot believe that such a policy, as unscriptural as it is dangerous, has gained more than a very limited currency.

Or must we suppose that there is a lack of confidence in the *operations* of the Board? A careful review of the disbursements of the past year will show that its funds have been judiciously appropriated. Owing to the large indebtedness of the Board and the number of beneficiaries preparing for the gospel ministry, the General Synod has

been memorialized by one of the Classes "to direct the Board to abridge its operations, until its funds are more abundant."

Your Committee believe that the Board are already practicing retrenchment as far as in their opinion is judicious. They are still acting under a resolution passed by themselves more than a year since, viz :

"*Resolved*, That in view of the present embarrassed state of the treasury, the Board are constrained to decline receiving any further applications for aid until the treasury is relieved."

This resolution has been carefully adhered to, with but two warrantable exceptions, in both of which the Board have granted only temporary assistance. A movement is already inaugurated, by means of which it is hoped the whole indebtedness of the Board will be canceled by the first of August next.

Under these circumstances your Committee are unanimous in the conviction that it is inexpedient to recommend any further retrenchment at present. How shall they retrench? Shall they dismiss their secretary? This, we apprehend, would only add to their embarrassment. The encouraging auspices under which he has entered upon his work give cheering promise of success.

Shall they dismiss the young men now under their care, and turn away other worthy applicants; when between seventy and eighty congregations within our bounds are without pastors? When may we hope to supply these vacancies and fill the places of standard-bearers that are constantly falling;—when furnish our Domestic and Foreign Missions with the reinforcements they greatly need, if we do not make more rapid progress in the increase of our ministerial corps? The Gospel is making the tour of the world. Its course is continually onward. The smoke and dust of the battle-field are but the effervescence of elements with which it has no affinity, coming in contact with it. The preaching of the Gospel is the heaven-appointed agency for suppressing opposition and carrying forward the triumphs of the Cross. But "how shall they preach except they be sent?" And when our young men are willing to forego tempting inducements to more lucrative positions and give themselves up to the self-denying work of the ministry, is it not a serious responsibility for the Church, by her apathy, to lay the hand of arrest upon them?

And must not delinquent *pastors* share this responsibility? Who can doubt, if any pastor would present to his people an intelligent view of this whole subject, and make an earnest appeal to them, that there would be a generous response, and instead of an *overdrawn*, we should have an *overflowing* treasury? In addition to Church collections, may not much be accomplished by *personal application*? May not the *Eldership* render efficient service here? Are there not, in many of our Churches, men of position, influence and wealth, who, if properly addressed, will contribute liberally to this cause? Your Committee would offer the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That the several Classes be recommended to call the attention of pastors to the embarrassed state of the treasury of the Board of Education, with a view to have collections taken for the relief of the treasury in all the Churches within their bounds.

2. *Resolved*, That the pastors of all our Churches be urged to a deeper interest in the cause of the Board, to present its claims to their Churches, and to take up collections for the same, at the earliest date practicable, and also to secure from them if possible, an annual contribution.

3. *Resolved*, That the pastors be requested to solicit individual subscriptions from the more able members of their congregations with a view to establish scholarships and to replenish the treasury of the Board.

HOLLAND ACADEMY.

The Principal of this Institution, Rev. P. Phelps, speaks encouragingly of the deportment and progress in study of the students. During the past year the Rev. Mr. Van Der Wall has resigned his position as assistant instructor, and his post still remains vacant. A most gratifying interest is taken in the prosperity of the institution, both by those resident in the vicinity, and by others friendly to its object. Commendable mention is made of the fidelity of the Principal. Rev. Dr. Van Raalte seems untiring in his efforts in its behalf. A lady from the Church of Hastings has made a liberal contribution, the second of the kind, in order to secure a much needed addition to the building. Some of the students, during their vacation, have generously given their time and services, to aid in fitting up a gymnasium.

The number of students in attendance last year is 56. Of these three have entered Rutgers College; two have withdrawn; one has died, and five have discontinued study, to procure means for resuming it at a future time.

It is to be fondly hoped that the curriculum of the class-room in this institution will, at no distant day, be of such an elevated grade, as to afford the advantages of a finished collegiate education, and thus obviate the expensive necessity of entering other institutions for this purpose.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.

It would seem that the Christian public within the limits of our denomination, if not averse from the policy of establishing these institutions, is at least tardy in adopting it. Only our Holland and German Churches at present avail themselves of the aid in sustaining these schools, which private munificence has generously placed at their disposal.

Ten Parochial schools are reported as under the care of the Board. These have in attendance an average number of 259 students.

The amount appropriated to them by the Parochial School Fund

is \$670. A sum nearly equal to this is contributed by the Churches within whose bounds these schools are located, which shows the warm interest felt by them in these institutions. They have also contributed to the Parochial School Fund during the past year \$32 50.

We cannot but echo the language of the report of our Corresponding Secretary on this subject: "Whether the subject of the religious education of the children of the Church receives the attention which it deserves from God's professing people, is matter of grave and serious doubt. It is true we have the Sabbath school, with its heaven-blest influences, in nearly all our Churches. There are many careful and wise families where the Word of God and the compilation of its doctrines in our excellent catechisms and confessions of faith, are duly taught to the children; but after all that these do, there remains a large number of families in which little, or no such instruction is given, or so little and so carelessly given, as to be scarce worth mention." Parochial schools, properly conducted, would supply, in a great measure, the neglect of religious culture in the home circle, while they would prove a welcome auxiliary to the faithful parent.

SABBATH SCHOOL BOARD.

From the extended Report of the Board of our Sabbath School Union, we gather the following facts:

1. That there are 276 schools enrolled on their list of auxiliaries, located in all parts of the Church, being an advance of eight beyond last year.

2. Of these, 124 have sent their annual reports to the Board. These reports show a very encouraging condition of affairs in the schools, and a decided improvement on the previous year.

3. The superintendents and teachers in the schools reported, number 2,513; the scholars in regular attendance, 14,084. There are 21,979 volumes in the libraries, and \$4,178 have been contributed for benevolent purposes.

The Report states that "the presence and operations of the Holy Spirit have been peculiarly apparent in many of the schools, both among teachers and scholars, and hundreds have become hopefully converted and united with the visible Church."

The suggestion is made that schools and churches testify their regard for their Superintendents and Pastors, by constituting them Honorary Members of the Board. Fourteen in full, and three in part, have been added to the list during the past year.

4. MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The Missionary operations of the Board in the City of New York and vicinity, have been prosecuted amidst "difficulties and trials." During the past year the Board has sustained wholly, five Mission Schools and aided two others. About 1,500 pupils and 100 teachers are connected with them.

The work of the Board in other parts of the Church, chiefly in the West, has been prosecuted with commendable energy. Six Sabbath school Missionaries have been employed. Three of these were ordained Ministers, and three were Theological students, connected with the Seminary at New Brunswick. These latter labored each for three months, and the former for different periods from two months to a year.

At the close of this part of their Report, the Board state that "a more permanent and broader agency might have been established in the West, and much more accomplished through such agency. Yet the Board hesitated to adopt a line of policy which would largely increase their expenses, in the present state of the times, preferring to wait for the developments of Providence to direct their course in future."

Books amounting in value to \$279 63 have been donated to various schools during the year.

5. FUNDS.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board shows a balance on hand, May 1st, 1861, of.....\$1,798 37
Receipts from May 1st, 1861, to May 1st 1862..... 1,678 43

Making a total of\$3,476 80
Disbursements for the last year to May 1st, 1862..... 2,635 25
Leaving a balance in the Treasury of 841 45
The receipts of the Board were less than in the previous
year by..... 634 34

The Report accounts for the limited receipts of the year in two ways:

1. From the mode adopted by the Board in making their appeals to churches and consistories for aid, which has been done by *writing* instead of the personal solicitation of their Secretary. This course was pursued to reduce the expenses of the *agency*, in obedience to the direction of General Synod. They have thus been lessened by \$900, or about two-thirds below the original amount, as it stood two years ago.

2. From the state of the times, preventing thereby multitudes from contributing to the Board, as they were in the habit of doing in more prosperous days.

The present balance in the Treasury (\$841 45) will be absorbed in less than three months to meet the pledges of the Board for the salaries of their Missionaries, rents, books for Mission schools, &c.

The Report of the Treasurer shows that \$702 50 was paid for the salary of the Secretary, office rent, and other expenses, out of the collections of the Board for the last year, and that the Board has paid \$956 92 out of the balance remaining in their Treasury of the preceding year, making the whole expenditures of the Board for the

year, for Sabbath school and Missionary purposes in the City of New York and at the West, \$1,933 12.

In view of the statement of the Report of the Board of our Sabbath School Union, and the embarrassed condition of its Treasury for several years past, the question of some decisive change in the Board has presented itself to your Committee. They submit the following :

Whereas, At all times, and the more especially now, a careful regard for economy in the use of the resources of the Church should be practiced, and that efficiency should be secured by the consolidation of identical interests :

1. *Resolved*, That so much of the business of the Sabbath School Board as relates to its Missionary operations, be placed hereafter under the control of the Board of Domestic Missions.

2. *Resolved*, That so much as relates to its publications be placed in charge of the Board of Publication.

3. *Resolved*, That the funds in the Treasury of the Sabbath School Board, after defraying necessary expenses, be equally divided between the Board of Domestic Missions and the Board of Publication ; and that in the event of there being a deficiency in the Treasury of the Board of Sunday School Union to meet or arrange their outstanding engagements, that then that deficiency be paid equally by the several Boards to which the whole subject shall be referred.

4. *Resolved*, That in future the Board of Publication be, and hereby is especially instructed to provide, as far as it may be able, a suitable literature for the Sabbath schools of the Church, and that the several Sabbath schools in the Churches be requested to purchase their Sabbath school books from this Board.

5. *Resolved*, That the Board of Sabbath School Union be abolished after the first day of September next, and that in the mean time, this Board take such measures as may be necessary to carry out the foregoing resolutions.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN A. LANSING, *Chairman*.

The ayes and nays on the fifth resolution, abolishing the Sabbath School union, having been called for, were taken, and are as follows :

Ayes.—H. D. Ganse, L. J. Belloni, A. B. Demarest, T. H. Skinner, Jr., E. W. Hitchcock, W. R. Gordon, W. V. V. Mabon, L. Mohn, J. D. Demarest, J. Dewitt, J. V. D. Hoagland, J. V. A. Merrill, D. G. Thomas, H. P. Thompson, P. M. Doolittle, B. B. Smith, P. S. Talmage, I. D. Cole, A. McKelvy, N. E. Smith, G. Pool, J. McC. Holmes, W. Phraner, S. Van Vechten, W. H. Crosby, J. B. Jewett, W. J. R. Taylor, T. B. Romeyn, M. Nevius, C. J. Shepard, J. Ham,

W. See, R. Walsh, J. Scudder, J. Simonson, A. V. P. Lansing, J. J. Marlett, C. F. Hoag, J. H. Van Woert, L. Van Dyck, E. Vedder, J. W. Redington, N. F. Chapman, J. Knieskern, J. J. Quick, A. H. Van Vranken, J. Markell, W. Knox, J. Garretson, N. F. Graves, E. W. Bentley, J. Lyon, T. Jessup, J. A. Lansing, C. Rockwell, A. Van Vechten, G. I. Van Neste, A. F. Todd, J. J. Knight, C. Wyckoff, J. A. Collier, G. Harnden, P. Crispell, O. H. Gregory, L. Rousseau, E. P. Livingston, C. Vandermeulen—57.

Nays.—E. Van Aken, T. Jeremiah, J. B. Thompson, D. Cole, J. Gaston, J. Manly, F. J. Hosford, I. C. Boice, E. R. Atwater, C. Van Cleef, P. Van Wyck, G. C. Schanck, D. B. Hall, J. M. Van Buren, J. B. Ten Eyck, W. Noyes, H. Heermance, J. Vandermeulen—18.

ARTICLE XIII.

RUTGERS COLLEGE.

Messrs. J. H. Bertholf, A. Westveen, and A. M. Quick were recommended to the Trustees of Rutgers College to receive aid from the Van Benschoten Fund.

ARTICLE XIV.

PROFESSORATE.

The Committee on the Professorate reported, and the report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows :

The Committee on the Professorate would respectfully report :

1. BOARD OF DIRECTION.

The papers submitted to your Committee, coming from the Board of Direction are the "Report of the Board of Direction," "Treasurer's Annual Report," "Annual Digest for 1862," and a List of the Securities belonging to General Synod." From these sources all necessary information can be derived in respect to the matters entrusted to this Board.

The Board of Direction in an appropriate manner speak of the death of one of their number, viz : the Hon. Theodore Frelinghuysen, and express the deepest sympathy which the whole Church must feel in the departure of a man of such high distinction and eminent worth, and who has so long served both his country and the Church in elevated positions of influence and responsibility. To these expressions of respect to the memory of the departed we would heartily

respond, and earnestly pray that a successor may be chosen to fill the vacancy in the Board of Direction, and also to preside over the Literary Institution at New Brunswick, of at least equal influence and commanding ability.

The distracted state of the country has prevented the Board from carrying into execution the plan of raising a permanent Contingent Fund, the income of which shall be devoted to pay the contingent expenses of General Synod. The small sum of \$108 only has been contributed during the past year; and the amount of the Fund now is \$1,163 15.

CONTINGENT EXPENSES.

In regard to the Contingent Expenses of General Synod, your Committee report that the amount received during the past year from the Classes was \$303 30 less than the expenses. It is proper to add that we have been informed that since the close of the fiscal year this deficiency has been reduced to \$159 69, by the payment of \$143 50 by the Classis of Albany. There remains still due from fifteen Classes the sum of \$1,047 20 for past assessments.

The income of General Synod is insufficient to meet the charges upon it: the increase in the salaries of the Professors of the Theological Seminary with the varying contingent expenses of Synod, causing a deficiency of over \$300 in each year. It is obvious that this must be met in some way by the Churches until a permanent fund is secured. Some method must be devised to obtain the amount annually needed. The proper way is undoubtedly to obtain from each Classis its fair proportion of this amount, and if this proportion could be fairly adjusted there would be but little difficulty in obtaining from each Church its share of the amount assigned to the Classis to which it belongs. The assessment has heretofore been made by the Treasurer and Stated Clerk of Synod, who have endeavored to make a just distribution of the burden, but it is believed that in many instances the failure of Classes to meet the amount in full has arisen from the firm conviction that they have been called upon to pay more than their just proportion. Your Committee is fully aware of the difficulty of devising any scheme by which perfect equality can be secured, and hesitate to make any suggestions. It has occurred to them that the desired result would more probably be obtained if the assessment were made by a committee more directly from the Classes. To accomplish this object the following plan has occurred to your Committee, and they respectfully recommend its adoption: That Synod determine the proportion that each Particular Synod should assume, and that previous to the annual session of each Particular Synod the Treasurer of General Synod transmit to the Stated Clerk of each Particular Synod a statement of the amount that must be raised by it, and that thereupon such Synod apportion the same among the Classes comprising it. The only difficulty with this plan will be in determining at the outset, the proportion to be borne by each Particular Synod, but it is hoped that this may be satisfactorily arranged. After

considering this question your Committee would recommend that the Particular Synod of Chicago be for the present relieved from bearing any share of the assessments to be made, and that they be distributed as follows: two-thirds of the amount to be raised shall be assessed upon the Particular Synod of New York, and one-third upon the Particular Synod of Albany.

If your Committee have a correct understanding of the accounts of General Synod, it would seem that if the Classes which have not paid their previous assessments in full would pay the same during the present year, no assessment need be made to meet the deficiency that will occur the present year. It is doubtful, however, whether they will make these payments; but it has occurred to your Committee, that if these Classes could be discharged from all further liability for past assessments, upon paying a portion thereof, they might be disposed to pay a large part of the amount due from them, and as perhaps under all the circumstances this is the best arrangement that can be made, your Committee would recommend it.

Your Committee has had before it the resolutions from the Classis of Philadelphia and the Classis of Greene: One suggesting an effort to secure through the labors of a strong committee a sufficient permanent fund; and the other directing its delegates to oppose all assessments upon that Classis unless means be devised to secure the payment of like assessments by each and all of its Classes.

Your Committee in view of the fact that the Board of Corporation is already authorized to take every measure necessary to secure a permanent fund, deem it unessential to recommend the appointment of a special committee for this purpose. The plan proposed by your Committee will we trust secure such a satisfactory distribution of the burden that hereafter no Classis will fail to bear its share.

In view of the foregoing considerations your Committee would propose the following resolutions: -

Resolved, That the amount necessary to be raised in order to meet such deficiency as there may be in the revenues of Synod, be assessed upon the Particular Synods of New York and Albany in the following proportions, viz: two-thirds upon the former and one-third upon the latter.

Resolved, That prior to the regular meeting of the Particular Synods, the Treasurer and Stated Clerk preface an estimate of the amount necessary to be raised, and thereupon transmit to the Stated Clerk of each Synod a statement of its proportion thereof, which statement it shall be the duty of the Stated Clerk to present to the Particular Synod, and it shall thereupon assess the same upon the various Classes connected with it.

Resolved, That for the purpose of meeting any deficiency in the income of General Synod for the present fiscal year, there be collected from those Classes which are in arrears seventy-five per cent. of the amount now due from them, and from those Classes which have paid their assessments in full, a sum equal to twenty-five per cent. of the

assessment of the past year; and that upon the above-mentioned payment of seventy-five per cent. being made by Classes now in arrears, they be considered as discharged from all past liability. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer of General Synod to transmit to the Stated Clerk of each Classis a statement of the amount to be raised by it under the foregoing provision.

2. BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

From the Report of the Board of Superintendents, all necessary information respecting the condition of our Theological school can be obtained. As this Report will be published in the Minutes of General Synod, a recital of facts is unnecessary. We would, however, advert to one or two :

1. We would notice, both with pleasure and commendation, that in obedience to the injunction of General Synod, the students were interrogated on the subject of preaching, when it was found that there had been no violation of the law of the Church. This speaks well not only for the spirit of obedience manifested to constituted authority, but also a right appreciation of the *primary* object for which they have repaired to the Theological School, viz : to *prepare* themselves to *preach* the truth.

2. The resolutions adopted by the Board respecting "the decease of the Hon. James Neilson, whose timely and munificent gift of nearly all of the land on which the Hertzog Hall is located, has enrolled his name among the permanent benefactors of the Seminary and the Church. These resolutions were both timely and appropriate, and should receive the cordial approval of this Synod.

3. The Board respectfully request of General Synod, to rescind the second section of the second article of the plan of the Theological School, adopted June, 1828, by which a sermon is required to be preached by a member of the Board during each of its sessions.

Your Committee would, on this subject, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That in compliance with the request of the Board of Superintendents, the second section above referred to, be, and hereby is rescinded.

3. DISPENSATIONS.

A communication has been submitted to your Committee from Mr. George A. Mills, who has just been advanced to the Junior Class in Rutgers College, asking for a dispensation from General Synod, in virtue of which he may be excused from the prosecution of the mathematical studies of the institution.

A sufficient amount of information on this subject has not been submitted to your Committee to justify them in recommending any specific action on the subject.

4. RUTGERS COLLEGE.

The Report of the Committee appointed by the General Synod of 1861, of which the Rev. M. S. Hutton, D.D., was chairman, to confer with the Trustees of Rutgers College, "to secure as soon as possible the release of the Professors of the Seminary from instructing in the college," has been committed to your Committee.

The facts are clearly set forth in this Report of Dr. Hutton, which we would incorporate as a part of our own.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

The Committee appointed by General Synod to confer with the Trustees of Rutgers College, to "*secure as soon as possible the release of the Professors of the Seminary from instructing in the College,*" beg leave to report, that they have had several meetings with a Committee appointed by the Trustees of the College to confer with them on the above subject.

Your Committee, in seeking to perform the duty assigned to them, were naturally led to inquire in the first place what were the peculiar relations between the College and the Seminary.

They found that in reference to the Professor of Theology, the College was under engagement to appoint him as a regular Professor in the College, in virtue of which, certain duties in the College were required of him. With this arrangement your Committee had, of course, no power to interfere, and they were informed that the present incumbent of that chair was willing to perform the duties thus devolving on him.

The case, however, was different with the other Professors. Their obligation to render services in the College rests upon the simple request of General Synod, and the nature of the services is left to the mutual agreement of the parties. The language of compact or agreement between the Synod and the Trustees is, that the *Professors of the Seminary be requested to render such services in the College as may be agreed on between them and the Trustees.*

The Professors state that their duties in the Seminary demand all their time and strength, and that they therefore feel constrained to give up their services in the College; while the College, on the other hand, state that through the failure of some of their plans, occasioned by the peculiar state of the country, and from the lack of sufficient endowment, they have not the professorial force needed to sustain the full College course, without the much desired aid of the Professors in the Seminary.

As the whole arrangement is a matter of mutual agreement between the Professors and the Trustees, and involved the actual curriculum of the College, your Committee saw no room for their action, and, therefore, beg to be discharged. All which is respectfully submitted.

M. S. HUTTON, *Chairman.*

NEW YORK, May 27, 1862.

In view of the foregoing Report, your Committee would recommend the adoption of the following resolution, viz :

Resolved, That in view of the distracted state of the country, and the want of sufficient means, on the part of the Trustees, this Synod regard it inexpedient, at the present time, to recommend that a change should be made in the relations of our Theological Professors in the matter of giving instruction in the College.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. F. HOES, *Chairman*.

Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, whose term of service had expired.

Nominations were received from the Classes of Rensselaer, Cayuga, Greene, Ulster.

The Committee on Nominations reported a double number of persons from whom to choose members for the Classes who have not nominated.

The following were elected : Rev. Francis N. Zabriskie, from the Classis of Greene ; Cornelius L. Van Dyck, from the Classis of Ulster ; Wilson Ingalls, from the Classis of Cayuga ; Elbert Nevius, from the Classis of Rensselaer ; Peter Stryker, from the Classis of New York : Isaac D. Cole, from the Classis of Paramus ; John L. McNair, from the Classis of Kingston ; P. J. Oggel, from the Classis of Holland.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted :

Whereas, The Classis of Arcot has applied to the Synod for such a dispensation of the requirement of the Constitution of our Church, as will admit of the ordination of Silas D. Scudder, M. D., to the Gospel ministry ; and,

Whereas, This Synod having confidence in the piety and ability of the candidate to exercise the functions of the Gospel Ministry, as well as in our brethren in India, recommending him for such office ; therefore,

Resolved, That a dispensation be granted to Silas D. Scudder, M.D., from the particular course of study prescribed by the Constitution as preparatory to the exercise of the office of the ministry, and that the Classis of Arcot have power to ordain him to such office.

An election was held to fill the vacancy in the Standing Committee on Peter Hertzog Theological Hall. Rev. John De Witt, D.D., was elected.

ARTICLE XV.

STUDENTS IN THEOLOGY.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVI.

CHURCH VISITATION.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVII.

PREVAILING SINS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVIII.

MISSIONS.

A communication from Thomas C. Doremus, chairman of the Committee on the Scudder Monument, was received, read and referred to the Committee on Accounts.

The Thirtieth Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was presented, read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Thirtieth Annual Report of the Board of Domestic Missions was received, read and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A Report from the Arcot Mission was presented by the Corresponding Secretary of the Board and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A communication was received from the Board of Domestic Missions in regard to the Church Building Fund, which was referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred the Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions, together with sundry other papers, beg leave to submit the following Report :

During the past year, God has mingled sorrow and joy in our memories of the Foreign Missionary work. At home, the President of our Board, Hon. Theodore Frelinghuysen, rests from his labors, and his works do follow him. No eulogy need be pronounced upon one whose heart was so full of Christ, and whose life was a living epistle known and read of all men. While we deeply mourn his loss, we bless God for the efficiency of the labors of his life, especially in the cause of Missions ; for the purity and power of his influence in the world, and for the brightness of his example. Abroad, too, has death done its work. Mrs. Talmage, the devoted and effective laborer in the Mission at Amoy, has gone to her reward, and the Mission and the Church mourn her loss. There is also no longer room to hope that Rev. John E. Watkins and wife, who have not been heard from since they sailed from New York, August 2, 1860, will ever again meet us on earth. Our sovereign Lord has doubtless called them to himself before they could enter upon their work, and thus has called his Church to new humiliation and faith.

But while the servants die, the Master lives, and in the midst of these afflictions he has given us many unequivocal and cheering tokens of his favor towards us. The reports from all our Missions are highly encouraging. The fullness of the report of the Board, as well as the narratives published at various times in the *Missionary Recorder*, make it unnecessary for your Committee to enter into a recapitulation of particulars.

From Amoy we hear of enlargement, zeal, and benevolence in the Mission Churches. A new and inviting field is opened to the Gospel at Chiang-chiu, and the important and significant intelligence comes to us that the members of the two Churches in Amoy have chosen two men from their own number whom they desire to have ordained and installed as pastors of those Churches.

From the Arcot Mission we hear of a "field enlarged," and of "general prospects far more hopeful than ever before."

The Japan Mission, being still in its preparatory stage, could not be expected to report much progress in real missionary work. The preliminary process, however, goes well and encouragingly on. "The Mission has found favor in the estimation of those whose good opinion is a most cheering sign for the future ; nor have the labors of the Missionaries been without good spiritual results in repeated cases of hopeful conversion."

During the past year, reinforcements have reached the Japan and Amoy Missions, Rev. J. H. Ballagh and wife having arrived in Japan, and Revs. E. Doty and L. W. Kip, Jr., having arrived at Amoy. Rev. J. W. Scudder and wife have recently sailed for Boston, on their return to the Arcot Mission.

A most delightful token of the Divine favor towards us is mani-

feasted in the generous gifts which have come to our aid from unexpected sources. The former United States Minister to Japan, Hon. Townsend Harris, has given \$1000 towards the building of the chapel (for which \$1000 had previously been given by Christians of the Sandwich Islands.) The expense of publishing a work prepared by Mr. Brown has been borne by the voluntary gift of a British merchant. A Jewish merchant has furnished special facilities for publishing it. Others have furnished the expense of a residence for Mr. Brown's family. The London Missionary Society have, in a most generous spirit, offered to furnish £200 for the expenses of the return of Rev. J. W. Scudder to India, and £200 more for his support in the field.

But the most significant and precious of all the gifts is that of the sum of \$800 from the native Christians of the Arcot Mission, for the expenses of the return of Rev. J. W. Scudder. This gift, out of their deep poverty, and by a self-denial which probably none of us ever felt, bespeaks a love for the Gospel and the Missionary, and a Christ-like benevolence, whose manifestation is alone a rich reward for all that we have ever done for that Mission.

While the prosperity of our Missions fills our hearts with devout gratitude and joy, it also increases our desire to see those Missions whose numbers are sufficiently large, adopting more perfect forms of ecclesiastical organization, according to the wishes and expectations of General Synod, expressed at its Annual Session in 1857. The Board, in their report, "see the necessity of some more developed system of church government in China." They "believe that the brethren have a growing sense of the need of a Classis." Your Committee are fully persuaded that the speedy accomplishment of such a result would be highly desirable. By this means the heart of our Church at home will be increasingly drawn towards the results of her labors abroad, as she sees her distant children not only professing their faith in Christ, but also becoming conformed in their external habits and usages to the order of the household to which, in the providence of God, they belong. Nor would this result be without its benefits to those distant children, in giving them a larger knowledge of and a closer alliance with the parent Church, from whom they received the word of life. At the same time there would seem to be some obvious advantages to the Missionaries themselves in the privileges conferred by the organization of a Classis conformed to the peculiar circumstances of a mission field.

There are now in our Foreign Mission fields certain candidates for ordination, whose cases deserve the attention of Synod.

A memorial has come to the General Synod from the Classis of Arcot, requesting Synod to grant a dispensation for the purpose of ordaining Silas D. Scudder, M. D., to the work of the gospel ministry. The Churches of Amoy have also chosen native pastors, who will need to be ordained before they can enter upon their offices.

The question presents itself, What shall be done in such cases? In each of these instances, it is very desirable that the candidates, if

qualified, should receive their ordination as soon as possible; but in the one field there is no Classis, and in neither could the presence of a deputatus for the examination be procured according to the positive requirement of the Constitution. The Constitution contemplates no such circumstances as are now arising in our Mission fields. Three questions then seem to present themselves to the Synod for the choice of one: Shall examinations and ordinations in these and similar instances be entirely denied? or shall such examinations and ordinations take place in open violation of the Constitution? or shall the Constitution receive some additional section containing provisions for the new exigencies which have arisen? Your Committee can see no warrantable course but that suggested by the latter question.

They, therefore, recommend to the Synod the propriety of taking the necessary steps for the adoption of a supplementary section to Article III., Chapter 2, of the Constitution, by which that instrument shall be adapted to the necessities of our Mission Churches.

They, therefore, further recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the several Classes be requested to send up to the next General Synod their judgment upon the following section, as supplementary to Article III., Chapter 2, of the Constitution of the Church:

"When, in the circumstances of Foreign Mission Fields, it shall be impracticable for a Classis to comply with all the ordinary requirements of the Constitution, General Synod shall have full power to grant such dispensations as the wants of the case may demand."

In regard to the particular object of the memorial of the Classis of Arcot, the ordination of Dr. Silas D. Scudder, your Committee would simply remark that a similar application was made from that Classis to General Synod in 1858, and we refer Synod to the action taken at that time.

At its last session, General Synod expressed the opinion that at least \$35,000 would be necessary for the support of our Foreign Missionary operations during the year then opening. That sum ought to have been raised, but it has not been. The contributions of the Churches have fallen far short of it. Without the generous aid received from abroad, to which allusion has been made, the financial position of the Board would be exceedingly embarrassing. The rigid economy which they have been obliged to pursue during the past year cannot be continued without disastrous results. Our Missions may possibly *live* for a short time under the severe contraction, but if the experiment be long continued, they must inevitably wither and die. The vigor and efficacy of Missions, like that of the inward Christian life (of which they are only a development), demand progress and growth. Even to attempt mere permanency is inevitably to recede.

Since, then, we have our Missions, as we ought to have, we must in the Master's name, in the name of the perishing heathen, and in

the name of every thing that is consistent and honorable in Christian character, persist in our most earnest appeals to the Churches to devote themselves more faithfully to this work. We ask of them no more than duty; we dare ask no less. Some of them have shown a commendable zeal in this work, but many of them have not come up to the standard of fidelity. Whatever may be the sad trials of our country, there is nothing in the condition of the present, or in the prospect of the immediate future, to forbid us saying that many of our Churches during the current year can do for this cause far more than they have ever done before, and still come short of the testimony that they have done what they could.

Your Committee have been directed "to consider the expediency of efforts to secure more direct relations between our Classes, Churches, Sabbath schools, etc., and the objects to which their contributions shall be given.

We were convinced that such nearness of relation and directness of aim between particular Churches and the Missionaries or schools aided by them would tend to increase both the interest and the liberality of the Churches. The suggestion is therefore worthy the attention of our Churches and Sabbath schools. No appropriations of such benevolence, however, ought to be made except through the Board of Foreign Missions, and with their approval.

The Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the pastors of all our Churches be most affectionately and earnestly requested to bring the claims of our Foreign Missions before their congregations, as soon as may be convenient; and also to consider whether some direct relation between their Churches or Sabbath schools, and some particular Mission, or Missionary, or Mission school, would not awaken more interest, and secure larger means for the operations of the Board.

Resolved, That the interests of our Mission schools, particularly those of the Arcot Seminary and of the Chittoor Female Seminary, be commended to the attention and liberality of our Sabbath schools.

Respectfully submitted,

J. ROMEYN BERRY, Chairman.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Foreign Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Revs. Isaac Ferris, D.D., E. P. Rogers, D.D., W. J. R. Taylor, D.D., D. McL. Quackenbush, James Demarest, Jr., Messrs. James B. Sanders, William B. Crosby, John T. Moore.

The Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Domestic Missions respectfully Report :

That the review of the home operations of the Church for the past year affords much cause for gratitude, while, at the same time, it is not wanting in ample incentive to increased efficiency upon the Church's part, in this interesting sphere of effort. We may well rejoice that, in a year of so great financial revulsion and disaster, God has not only spared this Board the calamity (which might reasonably have been apprehended), of greatly diminished resources, but has put it into the hearts of His people to enrich its treasury by \$2,500 above the amount reported last year, the total receipts having been \$16,140 70. It is also matter for encouragement that a larger number of our Churches than usual have contributed to this Board. May we not hope that this is the beginning of a better state of things, and that, as a Church, we are at length emerging from the condition of comparative lethargy and inaction that has, in the past, so unfortunately characterized our domestic operations?

Yet, even if we may thus interpret the smiles of a favoring Providence, it is evident that we see *only* the beginning of that increased interest and effort which the growing wants of the Church imperatively demand. For we learn from the Annual Report before us, that the receipts of the Board have fallen short by \$5,000 of the amount actually needed to extricate the Board from debt, and carry forward work of pressing importance. The Board commenced the year with a debt of \$2,805 90, which gradually increased to the large amount of nearly \$7,000, but in response to a special appeal to the Churches, it was reduced, by the close of the financial year, to \$1,673 53. Besides the other embarrassment naturally resulting from this indebtedness, it has already absorbed and diverted from the legitimate operations of the Board \$321 80, paid out in discounts and interests. This fact gives point and emphasis to the expressed hope of the Board, "that in the future the Church may devise liberal things, that by liberal things she may stand."

While the results before us exhibit a striking improvement upon those of the previous year, the effects of debt and of a crippled treasury are sufficiently manifest, when we contrast them with those of the year 1860; for while the receipts have been greater by \$365, there have been six less Churches and Missions aided, and three less Missionaries sustained. As another result of this pecuniary embarrassment, the Board has been unable to fulfill the instructions of the General Synod of 1860, in regard to the appointment of an itinerant Missionary for the West.

Four new organizations have been received under the care of the Board, and six Churches, heretofore dependent, have become self-sustaining. The following comparative statistics furnish a clear view of operations and results for the years 1860, 1861 and 1862, respectively :

	1860.	1861.	1862.
Churches and Missions aided.....	76	69	70
" " " at the East.....	61	51	49
" " " " West.....	15	18	21
Missionaries and Missionary Pastors.....	68	64	65
" " " at the East.....	52	45	45
" " " " West.....	19	19	20
Churches become self-sustaining.....	6	4	6
New Churches organized.....	6	.....	4
New Houses of Worship completed and entered.....	5	5	2
" " " in progress.....	7	2	2
Persons received to Church Membership.....	711	555	642
" " on Confession of Faith.....	466	384	435
" " by Certificate.....	245	171	207
Number of Members in the Mission Churches.....	4816	3774	4422
" " Families.....	3496	2971	3231
" " Sabbath Schools.....	94	80	80
" " School Scholars.....	5689	3990	5825
Contributed by Mission Churches to Dom. Missions..	\$773 06	\$460 43	\$524 24
" " " to other benevolent objects..	.....	\$2,722 81	.....
Receipts of the Treasury.....	\$15,974 73	\$12,546 77	\$16,140 70

Your Committee commend to the especial consideration of Synod the facts and statements of the Annual Report in reference to the *Church Building Fund*. They heartily concur in the view taken by the Board, that no measure connected with their work can be of more vital importance. It is sincerely to be lamented that the action of the Board in this connection, under the authority of the last General Synod, has met with so feeble a response from the Churches. We feel sure that all Pastors and Consistories who will give attention to the plan of this fund—(see Synod's Minutes, vol. 10, page 90), will see that it is not only an important auxiliary to the other operations of the Board, but is essentially necessary to their highest and most lasting success; and, therefore, merits a prominent place in the system of annual collection in all the Churches.

There has been referred to your Committee the following communication from the Board of Domestic Missions:

At a meeting of the Board of Domestic Missions Ref. P. D. Church, held May 27th, 1862, it was

Resolved, That the General Synod be requested to change the following rule of the Church Building Fund: "No greater amount than one-fifth part of each thousand dollars which the building may cost shall be appropriated to any one church," so as to leave the amount to be loaned to the discretion of this Board. Also,

Resolved, That the Synod be requested to change the next rule, so that bonds and mortgages issued in behalf of the Church Building Fund shall be made payable at one year.

A true copy from the Minutes.

ISAAC M. SEE, *Recording Secretary*.

In the view of your Committee, a compliance with these requests will rid the above-named plan of features obviously objectionable, and greatly increase its efficiency.

We, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That the action of the last General Synod, in reference to the third and fourth sections of the plan of the Church Building Fund—(see Minutes, page 90), be reconsidered.

2. *Resolved*, That section third be rescinded, and that section first be amended by adding after the words, "Domestic Missions," the words : "at its discretion."

3. *Resolved*, That in section fourth the words, "payable upon any change of ecclesiastical relation, or upon the dissolution of the Church," be stricken out, and the words, "payable in one year" inserted in their place.

4. *Resolved*, That the plan of the Church Building Fund, as thus amended, be published in connection with this Report in the Minutes of this Synod.

5. *Resolved*, That every Classis and Consistory be earnestly recommended to take such action as shall best secure in all the Churches an annual collection for the Church Building Fund.

6. *Resolved*, That we not only reaffirm the action of past years in regard to the imperative claims of the Board of Domestic Missions, but that we regard the Church as summoned by every indication of Providence, and by the dictates of duty to our country and to God, to a greatly enlarged liberality in its behalf.

The terms of service of the following members of the Board of Domestic Missions are about to expire : Rev. I. N. Wyckoff, D.D., Rev. J. Garretson, D.D., Rev. H. D. Ganse, Rev. G. Abeel, D.D., Rev. G. H. Fisher, D.D., Messrs. L. W. Kip, B. C. Miller, Smith Bloomfield, L. J. Belloni.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPH A. COLLIER, *Chairman*.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND AS AMENDED.

1. All benevolent Funds for Church Building purposes, however raised, shall be paid into the hands of the Treasurer of General Synod, and shall be held by the Board of Corporation as a Church Building Fund, and shall be dispensed by the Board of Domestic Missions at its discretion.

2. Applications for aid from this Fund shall be made to the Board of Domestic Missions, under recommendation of Classis, and the amount required stated, as also the amount to be raised by the people asking such assistance.

3. A first bond and mortgage shall be executed by the Board of Corporation, to be made payable in one year by any Church receiving an appropriation. The interest thereon may be remitted at the discretion of the Board of Domestic Missions, and in case of such remission, the Church shall make a yearly collection for the Fund; and every Church aided shall be expected to pay back the aid received as soon as practicable.

4. No Church shall be aided which would have a debt remaining after receiving assistance from this Fund.

5. An annual collection shall be solicited from all the Churches towards this Fund.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Domestic Missions whose terms of service have expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Revs. I. N. Wyckoff, D.D., J. Garretson, D.D., G. Abeel, D.D., H. D. Ganse, Anson Dubois, Messrs. Jacob B. Jewett, Thomas G. Talmage, Henry Camerden, Jr., J. M. B. Bogart.

ARTICLE XIX.

WIDOWS' FUND.

The Committee on the Widows' Fund reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows:

The Committee on the Relief, or Widows' Fund, beg leave respectfully to report as follows, viz:

Only three documents have been referred to their consideration, which contain financial matters and nothing else, viz:

1. Widows' Fund Income Account.
2. Widows' Fund (general) Account.

3. List of subscribers and annuitants to the Widows' Fund, and so much of the Report of the Board of Corporation as relates to the order of General Synod, directing said Board to obtain the consent of subscribers to the Fund, to the modifications adopted in 1861.

Your Committee see not what they can do, other than to report that these accounts have been perfectly kept and lucidly presented, and require no action of Synod; or endeavor to analyze them in such a manner that they present a birds'-eye view of their contents, and then offer a reflection or two, which may be suggested by the condition of the Fund.

The analysis your Committee has made shows:

1. That the whole current income of the Fund for the last current year has been \$1,312 67.

2. That the whole disbursement of the Fund for the same time has been \$2,343 95, leaving the Treasurer in advance \$31 28.
3. That there are fifty-seven subscribers to the Fund.
4. That thirty-two subscribers have paid the annual subscription.
5. That twelve brethren have withdrawn all their interest from the Fund, amounting to \$1,560.
6. That the number of annuitants on the first of November, 1861, was fourteen, and each one received an amount varying from \$57 13 to \$21 39 for six months, and the whole amount received by them altogether, for the same time, was \$247 02, only \$47 02 more than it was hoped and expected one full annuitant would receive per year, at the commencement of plan.
7. That eleven Churches out of about 325 had obeyed the request of Synod to make a collection for the Fund, amounting to \$250 49.
8. That three benevolent individuals had remembered the emeriti ministers and ministers' widows and orphans, by donations to the amount of \$165 49.
9. That the present value of the Fund is \$17,953 44.

On the condition of the Fund, as presented by this analysis, your Committee venture the following remarks:

That they have been surprised and pained, and they think the Church will be surprised and pained at the number of instances in which all patronage has been withdrawn from this most interesting and sacred charity. The institution was at no time very prosperous or successful. To give it greater acceptance, the Synod of 1860 appointed a Committee to modify and amend its provisions. They made a very elaborate report, which was amended and adopted, and commended to the Churches by the Synod of 1861. It cannot but be apparent to every reflecting mind, that these withdrawals tend to the entire destruction of the whole plan, as they have left the poor annuitants to sigh over the apparent want of sympathy for their sorrows by the beloved brethren of the living ministry.

Another train of remark on this analysis is suggested, by an interesting comparison of the paying members; the subscribing and non-subscribing ministers of the Church. There are about 325 ministers in our connection. Of these, the statistics show that there are 32 paying members; 57 subscribing members, and 268 non-subscribers, showing that there are 268 out of 325 who are unable or unwilling to patronize this only effort in our Church to provide some aid to the worn-out ministers, and ministerial widows and orphans in our body. 268 out of 325 who deliberately discredit a benevolent and scriptural object, which the highest authority of the Church has repeatedly and most earnestly commended to their regard.

A still more sad reflection is suggested by the action, or rather neglect of the Churches in regard to this Fund. Out of more than 300 Churches, certainly it might be supposed 200 could afford to

take up a collection for this object, which has been urged upon their attention by General Synod. What a mournful and humiliating view it suggests, that only eleven Churches have felt moved to aid in this certainly scriptural enterprise! What a discouraging and deadening impression it must make on every minister's heart in our connection? It should seem, first, as if the Churches sustain their ministers so poorly, that a great many of them cannot afford to pay \$20 per year as a little resource for their destitute surviving family; or, secondly, as if the Church might profess much respect and affection for their minister while he lived and could labor for them, but they did not care what becomes of him when he was laid aside by chronic disease, or how his family suffered when he was gone, or how his feelings were agonized by the prospect of their destitution and helplessness. Would the Churches, on an average contribute \$10 per year to this Fund, it is easy to see how soon a fund would grow up, whose income would make a comfortable resource to all her emeriti ministers or the destitute families of the departed.

In the view of the whole matter, your Committee would suggest the following resolutions:

1. That the Synod is grieved that so many ministers have withdrawn their patronage from the Fund.
2. That this Synod appeal to all the ministers of the Church, if possible, to give their countenance and help to this cause.
3. That the Churches be requested, without fail, to make, at least, one collection in the year for the benefit of this Fund.
4. That the Board of Corporation use all dispatch in obtaining the consent of subscribers to the Fund, to the modifications of last year's Report.

All which is respectfully submitted.

I. N. WYCKOFF, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That each Classis be directed to appoint one of its members to solicit subscriptions or collections for the Widow's Fund within the bounds of such Classis, either by personal interviews with Consistories, or by preaching upon the subject. And that the person so appointed be considered an officer of the General Synod to act in this behalf.

ARTICLE XX.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Eighth Annual Report of the Board of Publication was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Publication.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Publication was received, and referred to the Committee on Publication.

The Committee on Publication presented the following Report, which was accepted, and adopted :

The Committee on Publication, to whom was referred the Eighth Annual Report of the Board of Publication, have performed the duty assigned them, and report as follows :

The Committee regard this Board as one of the important agencies of the Church for the maintenance of sound doctrine, and the diffusion of a Christian literature adapted to the wants of the age. Its value in these respects, although generally conceded, has been rendered still more apparent by its operations during the year just closed. The pecuniary pressure of the times, it is true, has prevented the Board from issuing as many publications, especially new ones, as it has during some former years, but on the other hand, the distribution of its bound volumes and tracts has been so greatly extended as to exceed that of any previous year of its existence. Its financial condition also indicates a decided gain upon the last Report, and notwithstanding the all but universal embarrassment that prevails in business circles, its prospects for the future are perhaps more auspicious than ever before.

The Synod will be able to gather from the following synopsis some general idea of the Financial Condition, the Business Operations, and the Future Prospects of the Board.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

During the year ending May 1, 1862, the total receipts of the Board from all sources, including Church collections, individual donations, special contributions to furnish religious reading for the army and navy, together with the Depository, amount to \$18,437 84.

The total expenditure, during the same period, for all the various purposes of the Board, amount to \$17,502 31.

There is thus found to be a balance in the Treasury of \$935 53, and the Board, as shown by these statistics, has made a gain upon its last Annual Report of \$1,207 16.

In addition to these facts, it is proper to state, as your Committee have learned from the Agent of the Board, that about the first of October last, the Board appointed a Committee of its own members to take entire charge of its finances. After a careful investigation, the indebtedness of the Board was found to be about \$16,500, of which amount about \$10,000 were due for paper, printing, etc. The Committee made an arrangement by which \$4,500 were funded on individual collateral security. The sum of \$5,500 also was divided into notes of \$150 each, of which notes one, together with the interest upon it, was to be paid each month until the whole amount should be finally liquidated. The remaining indebtedness of the Board, over

and above these items, consisted of notes for three months each, with the exception of \$768, which were to be paid on demand. These notes were to be renewed as they became due, after paying twenty per cent. of the principal.

The Committee of the Board also resolved that the terms of all business transactions should in future be cash, and that no work should be placed in the hands of the printer until the means had been provided for the expense of its publication. Since the first of November, 1861, the Committee have met every Monday morning, and under its supervision the plan for paying off the debt and conducting the business of the Board has been successfully carried out. The friends of the Board will be gratified to learn that since that time the indebtedness has been diminished by six regular monthly payments, amounting in all to \$900. The Report of the Publishing Agent shows that on May 1, 1862, the total assets of the Board, the items of which may be seen by referring to the Report, amounted to \$25,843 89, while the total indebtedness of the Board at the same date amounted to \$16,100 55, thus leaving a balance in favor of the Board of \$9,743 34.

These facts afford ground for the hope that this important instrumentality will yet triumph over all adverse influences, and become an effective ally of the pulpit and the Sabbath school in building up the kingdom of Christ.

BUSINESS OPERATIONS.

During the year, four new books have been published, of which there were, all taken together, 11,000 copies. The aggregate of publications, as reported by the Agent, amounts to 42,450 copies, with a total number of 5,587,700 pages.

It is a most interesting and important fact, in connection with this aspect of the subject, that the Board has given special attention during the last year to the publication of works suitable for the young. And what is still better, there has been a demand for works of that character such as has never been equaled since the organization of the Board. As an illustration of this remark, the Synod is referred to the single fact that the juvenile book entitled "The Little Drummer Boy," has, in the short space of six months, passed through six editions, amounting in all to 6,000 copies, and the last edition, as your Committee are informed, is rapidly going off.

While we are admonished, by the late bereavements that have fallen upon our beloved Zion, that the fathers are passing away, and that the voices of the prophets are becoming silent in death, we cannot, surely, forget that to the children and youth who are growing up around us we are to look, under God, for the future ministry and membership that shall perpetuate our Church, and extend the boundaries of her influence. May not the Committee express the hope that the want of means will soon cease to impair the efficiency of the Board in its labors for the salvation of the young?

The attention of the Synod, and of the whole Church, should also

be called to the fact that the Board has issued, together with other publications for the same purpose, six new tracts for distribution in the army and navy. It has been actively employed in furnishing religious reading for the men who have been, and still are, imperilling their lives in the righteous cause of their country, and its efforts, by the blessing of God, have been attended with a cheering measure of success. This circumstance will be considered, your Committee hope, as an appeal, not only to the religious sentiment, but also to the patriotism of our people.

Among the publications of the Board for the year past, there is one which calls for the special action of this Synod. It is a 24me book of 240 pages, entitled, "Fulton Street Hymn Book, for the Use of Union Prayer meetings, Sabbath schools, and Families." It contains 326 hymns, of which 44 are not contained in the authorized Psalm and Hymn Book of the Church. Of these 44 hymns, however, 22 are in the Sunday school book, previously published by the Board, and have been already sanctioned by this Synod. There remain, consequently, 22 hymns in this new book, which have never been authorized by any Synodical action. They are the following: Hymn 28, 29, 30, 40, 63, 85, 86, 120, 142, 158, 170, 183, 199, 200, 203, 228, 229, 241, 303, 313, 322. The Board of Publication have laid the "Fulton Street Hymn Book" before this Synod, with the view to obtain its sanction for the use of the hymns here pointed out.

FUTURE PROSPECTS.

The Synod will infer from the statement here submitted, that the prospects of the Board are such as to encourage its friends and constitute a new ground for the confidence and support of the Church. The location of its Depository will, in a short time, be transferred to No. 103 Fulton street, in the building adjoining the North Dutch Church, where, it is believed, the greater convenience of access and facilities for business will enable the Board to be still more useful than heretofore.

It may now be regarded as no longer an experiment. It is an established institution of the Church, and there is but one obstacle to its complete success. It is the want of that cordial interest on the part of our ministry and membership which will prompt them to give it a reasonable place among their contributions, and a share of their patronage in the purchase of Sabbath school libraries and other religious books.

RESOLUTIONS.

The following resolutions are submitted for the action of this Synod:

Resolved, That the hymns in the "Fulton Street Hymn Book" which are designated in this report, but which have never been acted upon by Synod, be sanctioned and approved, and that the book be

recommended to the Churches for use in prayer meetings, Sabbath schools, and families.

Resolved, That the interests of the Board of Publication are hereby commended to the attention and Christian liberality of all our Churches, and that they all be requested to take up an annual collection for its support.

CHANGES AND ADDITIONS IN THE PUBLISHED MINUTES.

There has also been referred to the Committee a paper suggesting the expediency of certain changes and additions in the Annual Minutes of the Acts and Proceedings of the General Synod of the Church, upon which they respectfully report:

That they have had the subject under consideration, and recommend the following resolutions for adoption by this Synod:

Resolved, That the title page of the published Minutes of this Synod be as follows: "The Acts and Proceedings of the Seventy-Sixth General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in North America, Convened at the City of Syracuse, N. Y., June, 1862:" and that the same be continued hereafter, with the necessary variations, corresponding to the ordinal number, and to the place and the time of meeting.

Resolved, That the Annual Reports of the several Classes be this year and hereafter arranged in alphabetical order, with a view to greater facility of reference; and that the initials of the Particular Synods to which they respectively belong be annexed.

Resolved, That there be published in the Minutes of this Synod, this year and hereafter, the following:

1. The order of the Lemmata, to each of which shall be annexed a reference to the page of the minutes on which it may be found.
2. A list of the names of all who from the first shall have occupied the office of President of this Synod, and likewise a list of the names of all who shall have occupied the office of Stated Clerk; and that the names of all, respectively, be preceded by the year of their election, and followed by the name of the State in which they resided, and of the place in which the meeting was held.
3. An alphabetical list of all our ministers, with their respective places of residence, or post office address annexed, together with a reference to the page of the Minutes of Synod upon which each name may be found in the Classical Report.

JOHN A. TODD, Chairman.

The following were chosen to fill the places of those in the Board of Publication whose term of service has expired:

Rev. Thomas De Witt, D.D., Thomas C. Strong, D.D., Elbert S. Porter, D.D., David H. Riddle, D.D., Messrs. James Myers, Jonathan S. Burr, Jonathan Sturges, Maurice E. Viele.

ARTICLE XXI.

PARTICULARIA.

The Synod, on the second day of the session, proceeded to the election of Stated Clerk.

On counting the ballots, Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D., was elected.

Resolved, That a telegraphic dispatch be forwarded to Rev. D. D. Demarest, notifying him of his election, and requesting him to come to the meeting of the Synod immediately.

Resolved, That the resignation of Rev. Thomas C. Strong, D.D., as Permanent Clerk be accepted, and the office be abolished.

Resolved, That the thanks of this General Synod be tendered to the Rev. Thomas C. Strong D.D., for his services as Permanent Clerk, in which he has for the year past performed the duties of Stated Clerk.

Resolved, That the salary of the Stated Clerk for the year ending, June 1, 1862, be paid to the widow of the late Thomas M. Strong, D.D.

An invitation was received from the Corresponding Secretary of the Franklin Institute, of the City of Syracuse, to visit the reading rooms and library, which was accepted, and the thanks of the Synod returned to them for their polite invitation.

It was resolved that a Committee of three be appointed to draft a Minute expressive of the affectionate regards of this Synod, for the memory and services of the late Rev. Thomas M. Strong, D.D., the former Stated Clerk of this body. Rev. W. J. R. Taylor, D.D., John De Witt, D.D., and Elder J. C. Newkirk, were appointed.

The Committee presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee appointed to prepare a minute expressive of the feelings of this Synod, respecting the decease of the late Rev. Dr. Strong, respectfully recommend the following :

Almost immediately after the close of the last General Synod, it pleased our Heavenly Father to remove from the Church on earth, the Rev. Thomas M. Strong, D.D., who, during the long period of thirty-three years, was the Stated Clerk of this body. By his death this Synod has lost the services of an executive officer who was remarkable for diligence, accuracy, and faithfulness in every trust, and for his familiarity with the customs, usages, legislation, polity, history and theology of the Church. Courteous in manner, prudent in coun-

sel, energetic in action, he was a bright example of the meekness of wisdom, "and of the good and faithful servant whose praise is in all the Churches."

Thankful to God, who gave him to us, we rejoice in the "burning and shining light" of his eminent piety and his devoted services, and still more in the good hope that death to him was but a translation "to the Church of the first born that is written in Heaven."

The Synod do also hereby express their sincere condolence with the bereaved family of our departed father, and commend them to "the God of all comfort" through the everlasting Covenant.

Resolved, That this minute be entered upon the records of the General Synod, and that certified copies of the same be sent to the family of the deceased, and published in the periodicals of the Church.

In behalf of the Committee,

WILLIAM J. R. TAYLOR, *Chairman*.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted :

Whereas, Our beloved country is distracted by an unjustifiable and atrocious rebellion, involving consequences of the greatest magnitude ; therefore,

Resolved, That not only the natural obligations of love and gratitude, and obedience which, as Christian citizens, we owe a free and beneficent Government, but also loyalty to Jesus Christ, and to His cause of truth and righteousness on the earth, demand of us an earnest and unqualified support of our Government in its efforts to suppress this disastrous and most wicked rebellion.

Resolved, That we humbly recognize our dependence upon the good help of our God for the success of our armies and triumph of our cause, and, therefore, our prayer shall continually be, that He will grant all needed grace to our rulers ; that He will bless our armies and go forth with them ; that He will prosper the right ; that He will eradicate all the causes of this rebellion ; that He will soon restore to us peace and harmony ; that He will in infinite wisdom guide us in a way by which, in the best manner, every yoke may in His own time be broken, and the oppressed go free ; that He will bring rich spiritual blessings to all parts of our nation out of these temporal sorrows ; that He will turn the hearts of all our people in penitence and faith toward himself, and thus in Christian love toward each other, and thus according to His word, the work of righteousness may be peace, and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance forever, and that in the unity of the spirit we may have the bonds of peace.

Resolved, That we gratefully acknowledge the goodness of God in all the blessings, civil, social and religious, which we have enjoyed under this Government, the best enjoyed by the sons of men; that we humbly thank Him for the many blessings which crown us even now in the midst of these sorrows, for the excellent spirit which He has given our rulers, and for the many instances of signal success which He has given to our generals and armies.

Resolved, That we have full confidence in the patriotism, fidelity, wisdom and prudence of the President of the United States; that we bless God for the guidance He has given him in his perplexing and critical duties; that as our Churches have given many of their sons to the armed service of the country, so we pledge him, as the head and representative of our Government, the coöperation of our prayers, and of every form of influence, effort, and sacrifice which duty may demand, and in testimony of all this we respectfully send him an official copy of these resolutions.

Rev. T. H. Skinner, Jr., E. P. Livingston, E. Van Aken, and the Elders, J. Markell and N. Merriam, were appointed a Committee of Canvass, to whom the ballots cast for filling vacancies in the several Boards for corresponding delegates, and a preacher in behalf of benevolent operations, were committed.

They reported the result of the election.

The communication containing the Van Benschoten bequest was read.

ARTICLE XXII.

BENEVOLENT AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod, the Corresponding Secretaries of the several Boards of the Church were heard in behalf of their respective Boards, on the third day of the session. Elder William Ferris presented the claims of the Board of Publication, in the absence of the Corresponding Secretary. Afterwards, the Synod spent a season in a free interchange of opinion in regard to the benevolent operations of the Church.

The sermon in behalf of the benevolent operations of the Church was preached on the evening of the sixth day of the session, by the Rev. Gabriel Ludlow, D.D., from Isaiah 11 : 9. "For the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the Lord, as the waters cover the sea."

Rev. John A. Lansing, D.D., was chosen *Primarius*, and the Rev. Jacob West, *Secundus*, to preach the sermon in behalf of benevolent operations at the next Stated Session.

The following resolutions were adopted :

Resolved, That this Synod hereby reiterate resolution No. 5 of the Synod of 1861, contained on page 90 of the proceedings, in the following words :

“ *Resolved*, That the Classes be urged to take such steps as shall insure that the claims of all our Boards be statedly presented to each of the Churches under their care, and collections taken for them.”

Resolved, That the several Classes be, and are hereby requested to suggest to their Churches to prepare a programme of the different objects of benevolence as recommended by the General Synod, and specify and adopt, as a standing rule, certain Sabbaths when these contributions shall annually be made.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of the Synod, with the aid of the Treasurers of the Boards, be requested to prepare annually, a tabular statement of the contributions made by the several Churches to the Boards and Funds recommended by Synod ; that each amount so credited shall embrace in one sum all that may have been contributed to such object from whatever source, and that such statement be reported annually to Synod, and published in the proceedings of Synod under the head of article 22.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted :

Whereas, The Reformed Protestant Dutch Church has in common with some other evangelical denominations of this country, felt a deep and abiding interest in the subject of providing suitable and efficient ways and means whereby such portions of the colored population of the several States, who should attain their freedom by emancipation or otherwise, and who were willing and desirous of returning to their father land ; and, whereas, many of our most distinguished statesmen, philanthropists and Christians, have for many years been engaged in the benevolent work of colonizing the free colored population of this country in the Republic of Liberia, Africa, which Republic is said to be in a healthy and prosperous condition ; and, whereas, the leading nations of Europe have long since recognized the Republic of Liberia as a nation extant, and the Government of the United States of America are now about to do the same, therefore,

Resolved, That in view of the philanthropy of the past, and the necessity of greater and more extensive Christian efforts for the future protection of this class of our population, arising from the prospect of the immediate emancipation of many thousands, this Synod commend the interest of the American Colonization Society to the sympathy and cordial support of all the Churches under their care, and to all the other Christians, philanthropists and statesmen of the nation.

Resolved, That it be recommended to the respective Churches under the care of this Synod, to take up a collection for, and in behalf of the American Colonization Society during the year, and, if practicable, about the fourth of July.

Rev. Dr. R. S. Cook, Secretary of the Sabbath Committee of New York City, having made a statement of the work of that Committee, and having presented its recent volume of Sabbath Sermons to the clerical members of the Synod, it was,

Resolved, That the Synod regard with great satisfaction and gratitude to God, the very successful efforts of the Sabbath Committee to secure the better observance of the Lord's day, and that they feel assured that the most wise and earnest labors of the Committee will result in growing advantage to the sacred cause, not only in our great metropolis but through all our land.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be given to the Committee for their liberal gift of their volume of Sabbath Sermons.

Resolved, That all the ministers be earnestly requested to preach upon the authority and duties of the Christian Sabbath, at least once during the coming ecclesiastical year.

Rev. Dr. W. J. R. Taylor, lately elected as one of the Secretaries of the American Bible Society, and also at present a member of this body, was introduced, and heard on the condition and claims of the Society. He reviewed the history of the Society; presented stirring views of its widely extended operations; gladdened the hearts of the Synod by showing that notwithstanding the distracted state of the country in consequence of the deplorable rebellion within its borders, which considerably diminished the resources of other benevolent Institutions, yet the issues of this Society had been larger than in former years; he gave a birds'-eye view of the operations on the foreign field, and invoked the prayers of the Synod for himself, as the special

representative of the Dutch Church in the Board of the Bible Society, and begged the largest liberality of the Church on behalf of this primary and most important Institution ; whereupon,

Resolved, That the regard of this Synod for the cause of the American Bible Society has grown by the years of its existence, and by the observation of its beneficent results.

Resolved, That this Synod invokes the blessing of God on their brother, and pray that he may be happy and eminently useful in his new duties.

Resolved, That he be recommended to the Churches to promote the interests of the Bible Society, by an annual collection, or any other mode of increasing its funds.

Resolved, That the Classes recommend to the Churches taking collections for the Board of Domestic Missions and Board of Publication ; that said Churches designate what proportion of such collections is designed for Sabbath school purposes, and that said Boards keep distinct accounts of said Funds, and apply according to the wishes of the Churches ; and where no such designation is made, that said Boards carry such collections to their general accounts, and apply to the general purposes of each Board respectively.

Resolved, That all the Pastors and Churches in connection with the Synod, are hereby earnestly requested to regard its injunction, that the last Thursday of February be observed as a day of special prayer for colleges and seminaries of learning, and that the Pastors of the various Churches preach upon the subject of education on the Sabbath previous thereto.

Resolved, That the second week in January be recommended to our Churches, to be observed as a week of united and special prayer for the conversion of the world.

Resolved, That it be enjoined on all the Pastors of the Churches to take an early opportunity of bringing such matters in the Minutes of General Synod, as particularly interest the Church, before their congregations, and that the several Classes be instructed to inquire at their Spring meeting, whether this has been done.

ARTICLE XXIII.

PASTORAL LETTER.

The Rev. W. R. Gordon, D.D., H. D. Ganse, and Jno. De Witt, D.D., with the Elders, J. B. Jewett and F. J. Hosford, were appointed a Special Committee to draft a Pastoral Letter in the name of General Synod to the Churches, in accordance with the second resolution of the Report adopted on the State of Religion. [See Appendix.]

ARTICLE XXIV.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to make some provision for the permanent deposit and preservation of the archives of the General Synod, if possible in the rooms 103 Fulton Street, New York City.

A resolution having been offered that the Stated Clerk be authorized to have a bound set of Minutes for the use of the Synod, it was referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. E. Van Aken, J. C. F. Hoes, D.D., and F. J. Hosford.

The Committee presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred the matter of having the Minutes of General Synod bound, respectfully report that it is deemed of great importance, both for better preservation and more convenient use, that the Synod possess them in bound form ; therefore,

Resolved, That if the Stated Clerk shall find, when all the papers and books of Synod come into his possession, that there is no such bound copy belonging to General Synod, that then he be directed to have a copy (complete, if possible,) bound in a good and substantial manner for the use of Synod, and that he have an additional copy bound, to be deposited in the archives.

Your Committee find on the Minutes of 1855, page 614, a resolution authorizing the Stated Clerk to deliver to the Board of Publication, such copies of the Minutes as may be in the archives, but not needed for the use of Synod, and that the Board be directed to have them bound in sets and offered for sale. This work, we understand, the Board have not yet felt themselves able to carry out.

It is believed that the Minutes reserved by the late Clerk must be complete, or nearly so, and that for an extra copy (should the Clerk have preserved no duplicate,) there will be no great difficulty to procure them from other quarters.

In behalf of Committee,

E. VAN AKEN, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE XXV.

ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Accounts reported, and their report was accepted, adopted, and is as follows :

The Committee on Accounts would respectfully report :

They have examined the Report of the Committee on the Scudder Monument, and find nothing in the report demanding attention ; they would, therefore, recommend that the Committee be discharged.

There are in attendance from the Synod of Chicago the following delegates :

From Classis of Holland.....	Rev. C. Van Dermeulen.
“ “ Michigan.....	“ H. Heermance.
“ “ Wisconsin.....	“ J. Van Dermeulen.
“ “ Illinois.....	“ E. P. Livingston.
“ “ “.....	Elder, Jacob Tremper.
“ “ Arcot.....	Rev. Joseph Scudder.

Your Committee recommend that the usual appropriation to the delegates from this Synod be paid to the above named delegates.

The following bills have been presented :

Bill of Wynkoop & Bros. for stationery.....	\$4 88
“ “ “ “ “ “.....	0 70
Bill of B. C. Vrooman for services as doorkeeper, for telegraphing, &c.....	12 89
Bill of Wynkoop & Brothers for printing....	3 50
Bill of Rev. Dr. Ludlow for expenses.....	14 00
Bill of Rev. Mr. Doolittle for telegraphing.....	0 96

Your Committee would recommend that these bills be paid.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

B. F. SNYDER, *Chairman of Com.*

The following additional report was adopted :

Your Committee on Accounts beg leave to make the following additional report :

We find that heretofore the Synod have authorized the Classes of the Far West to be paid at the following rates, when fully represented by three delegates, or in a proportionate amount, when a less number of delegates are in attendance :

Classis of Wisconsin.....	\$96 00
“ Illinois.....	108 00
“ Michigan.....	84 00
“ Holland.....	84 00

and the Committee find the following delegates are in attendance, and are entitled to the following amounts:

Classis of Wisconsin.....	Rev. J. Van Dermeulen..	\$32 00
“ Illinois.....	Rev. E. P. Livingston....	36 00
“ “	Elder J. Tremper.....	36 00
Michigan.....	Rev. H. Heermance.....	28 00
Holland	Rev. C. Van Dermeulen..	28 00

The Committee also recommend that the traveling expenses of the Rev. Joseph Scudder, delegate from the Classis of Arcot, be paid to the amount of \$30.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

F. V. VAN VRANKEN.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk publish one thousand three hundred copies of the Minutes of this Synod, duly authenticated, and that he distribute among the Classes the number directed by them.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of this General Synod be presented to the families of Syracuse for the very generous hospitality they have extended to its members.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod be presented to the pastor elect and Consistory of the Reformed Dutch Church of Syracuse, for the use of their building for the meeting of Synod.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be presented to the Committee of Arrangements for the very efficient manner in which they have so very acceptably rendered important services to its members.

Resolved, That this Synod hereby expresses the extreme gratification experienced in a visit (by invitation), to the New York State Asylum for Idiots, and that the visitors desire to acknowledge the courtesy of the Superintendent (Dr. Wilbur) and other officers, as well as the philanthropic purpose, efficient management, and truly surprising achievements of the Institution.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod, the roll was called at the close of the Session, when it appeared that Rev. E. D. Hitch-

cock, Rev. Wm. R. Gordon, D.D., J. D. Demarest, M. Fisher, B. V. Van Arsdale, Rev. N. E. Smith, D.D., Thos. G. Talmage, Rev. T. B. Romeyn, were absent without permission,

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

Synod adjourned to meet in the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Newburgh, on the first Wednesday of June, 1863, at 10 o'clock A.M., and was closed with singing and prayer, and pronouncing the apostolic benediction by the President.

JOHN GARRETSON, *President.*

IRA C. BOICE, *Adressor.*

JOHN MCLELLAN HOLMES, }
G. HENRY MANDEVILLE, } *Clerks pro tem.*

Official Copy from the original Minutes.

DAVID D. DEMAREST, *Stated Clerk.*

APPENDIX.

PASTORAL LETTER.

THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE PROT. REF. DUTCH CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, TO ALL THE CHURCHES UNDER ITS CARE :

Grace be unto you, and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ, who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God our Father, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Beloved Brethren : The present state of religion among us, made known by the recent reports of all our Churches, is by no means gladdening to our hearts. The two preceding Synodical reports on this subject, have shown a comparative unfruitfulness which occasioned repeated regrets, but the present year has been one of barrenness indeed. Synod therefore, believing that present circumstances justify return to a time-honored custom, resolved to issue a Pastoral Letter, with a view to call the attention of the whole Church affectionately and urgently to this matter ; and to those which most nearly relate to your spiritual advancement and ecclesiastical prosperity.

It is a subject for devout thankfulness to God our Saviour, that our Churches generally have been, and now are well supplied with the faithful preaching of the Word ; that religious instruction to the young, in Bible classes and Sunday schools have been steadily given ; that meetings for social worship have assumed greater prominence, and been well attended ; that peace and brotherly love seem to have shed their most beneficent influence upon our denomination ; that the spirit of benevolence has made its annual offerings unto the Lord, at least by the hands of those who have been accustomed to work ; and that the general outward aspect of the Church is animating alike

to faith and hope. For these things, we are bound to thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet.

Would to God that we might now add: "He hath blessed us with all-spiritual blessing in heavenly things in Christ." But our duty binds us to speak of our common wants and defects, as well as of our mercies. God forbid, dear brethren, that our specifications be made otherwise than with that tender solicitude for your spiritual welfare, which we feel sure will excuse all earnestness of speech. No unworthy reflection is designed upon the piety of any, or their regard for the cause of good morals and sound religion; but it becomes us to speak as we do, in order that the prosperous and unpropitious aspects of our denominational spiritual condition may be taken in at one view, so as to facilitate and fasten the conviction that whatever leanness is apparent among us is owing, not to the want of spiritual food, but to the want of that assimilating process by which it should always promote the efficient growth of the new man in Christ Jesus; not to the failure of God's faithfulness or promises, but to our own sins of omission.

We bespeak your Christian forbearance then, while we briefly plead for the rectification of every evil, and for the removal of every obstacle. There is an indissoluble connection between the general character of every Church and the individual character of each of its members. Hence if there be any known or marked defect in the individual Christian, its evil influence goes beyond him to the injury of the Church. A due consideration of this fact will, we are persuaded, produce a more earnest desire and effort in every sincere believer, to adopt Paul's twelfth chapter to the Romans, as his general guide, so that he may be enabled to "walk in wisdom toward them that are without."

That there are evils and obstacles to be removed, is apparent enough in the painful fact, that the increase of our Church by confession of faith reported to the Synod, has fallen below that of the preceding year by nearly five hundred souls. Now we are sure that God is not slack concerning his promises; that there is a remarkable similarity of operation between the laws of nature and the laws of grace; and that, as a general rule, the means of grace are the channels of grace to the Christian, and to the impenitent as well. When therefore we consider how ample are these means among us, and how constantly they are employed, and then estimate the amount of our spiritual gains by the results of another year's efforts in the number

of actual credible conversions, to what other conclusion can we possibly arrive than the one just spoken of?

But we are not left to inference. Our Classical reports make positive assertions which convince us that our spiritual feebleness is due simply to our own lack of zeal in the duties of the Christian life. We do not forget that they assign the present lamentable civil war as the prominent reason for the diversion of our people from religious things, and that this is made to account for the small additions to the Church already alluded to; but while we admit this explanation, in part, we at the same time lament it as only increasing our guilt before God. He has admonished us on this matter in these words: "In the day of adversity consider." Our national chastisement surely ought to have the effect to humble us more deeply, and to awaken a more intensely importunate spirit of prayer in all our Churches; because faith in the promise should prompt us to the duty to which it is attached—"Return unto me, and I will return unto you, saith the Lord." Is not our failure here our fault?

The impenitent, we believe, cannot live at ease in an atmosphere charged with the moral force of an all-pervading piety. Earnest prayer and godly example constitute a perpetual rebuke of the careless, and are adapted to excite troubled thoughts from which they can find no escape but to the cross of Christ. Our duty then in the relations we bear to them is plain. Bought with a price, we are not our own; and if we would not ignore this arousing truth, let us make its controlling influence conspicuous in our lives. Thus should we come to regard our possessions and our services alike subservient to the cause of our Master.

In this connection, allow us to make prominent before you the strange fact, that *more than three-fourths of our four hundred and eight Churches*, withstanding our importunities, have been content for years to neglect, in whole or in part, those contributions which the pledges of our profession require us to make. Surely there is something in this fact to account for the failure of blessing over which we now mourn. Under such circumstances, is it surprising that the Lord should withhold from us his reward of approbation? Do we comply with the Apostle's injunction: "*Upon the first day of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as God hath prospered him?*" Nothing is made of the *amount* of our alms in Scripture, beyond this rule. The fact of giving, and giving statedly, is pressed upon our notice in such connections as secure us against mistake in this matter

of imperative duty. God can bring grand results out of just such a *mire* as Christ noticed with commendation, whose weight and worth were estimated by the pious motive that dropped it from the hand of indigence. Surely did every Christian think of this, our Missionaries should, at least, be relieved of one sore trouble, and our Boards of many painful apprehensions.

May we not then beseech those Churches whose failure, we are willing to believe, has arisen more from the fear that they could not realize *amounts* gratifying to themselves than from sheer indifference, to remember the approval of Christ withheld from the ostentatious of his day? If the Consistory of each Church in our connection, will only give the people stated opportunities to *do what they can*, we believe all will be gratified at the result of this duty discharged. Self-denial is made in Scripture an indispensable test of personal piety. We feel perfectly sure, dear brethren, that your avowed Christian principles are right on this subject. Will you not then put them in practice? Let us all *do what we can*, and thus fill up the full measure of our accountability.

Allow us now to refer to another matter. It is of the utmost importance that all our Churches be well guarded by a faithful use of discipline. No scandalous sin in a church member should go unrebuked; but our attention has been called, both by Classical reports and by individuals, to the sin of intemperance: the prevalence of which in many quarters is a serious embarrassment to the Church. While prayer and prudence should ever guide our Consistories in their official acts, it can never be safe to let peace take the precedence of purity. Their duty with regard to this vice, should be promptly performed; and the reason is obvious. The sin in question lays so firm a hold upon those who practice it, there are so many ways by which the unguarded, and especially the diseased, may be drawn into it; and the scandal of its presence in the Church is so great; and, unrebuked, so mischievous; that timely dealing with it becomes the duty of every Consistory.

One more matter of primary importance we must not fail to mention. It has been brought to our notice that the omission of family prayer and of parental religious instruction by members of the Church is a growing evil among us. So obviously inconsistent with the spirit and design of our holy religion is this neglect, that we trust the guilty are few in number; and that being admonished, they will at once reform. It needs no argument here to show that these duties are

essential to the spiritual welfare of every family, and of every Church. We therefore beseech all parents, and especially those whose Christian profession requires an influence every where exerted for good, never to forget the assembling of their households for the purpose of family prayer ; and never to neglect the spiritual culture due to their offspring. Let them learn their responsibility in these things, from a prophet's imprecation, " Pour out thy fury upon the heathen that know thee not, and upon the *families* that call not on thy name ;" and by an apostle's direction, " Bring them up in the nurture and admonition of the Lord." Make it a matter of conscience also to attend the weekly meetings for social worship, and thus encourage one another in the discharge of mutual obligation.

We exhort you, dearly beloved, to be faithful in all things, looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of God, lest any root of bitterness springing up, trouble you, and thereby many be defiled. Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report ; if there be any virtue and if there be any praise, think on these things. Abstain from all appearance of evil. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly ; and may your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Formation of Synod.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. John Garretson, President of the last General Synod, who preached a sermon on the evening of the first day of the session from Psalm 132 : 18, "His enemies will I clothe with shame, but upon himself shall his crown flourish."

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

From the Particular Synod of New York.

1. *From Classis of New York.*—Rev. T. W. Chambers, D.D., 'Isaac Ferris, D.D., 'Alexander R. Thompson. *Elders*—S. B. Schieffelin, G. Van Nostrand, John Delamater.

2. *From 'South Classis of New York.*—'Rev. Edward W. Hitchcock.' *Elder*—'Daniel R. Hitchcock.

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1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.
 2. Took his seat on the seventh day of the Session.
 3. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.
 4. Was succeeded by Rev. D McL. Quackenbush, on the sixth day of the Session.

3. *From Classis of Bergen.*—Rev. Matthew B. Riddle, Rev. Wm. R. Gordon, D.D., ¹E. S. Hammond. *Elder*—²Jasper Demarest.³

4. *From South Classis of Bergen.*—Rev. Gustavus Abeel, D.D., John L. Chapman, H. W. F. Jones. *Elders*—Benj. C. Miller, ¹James Currie, ⁴N. B. Lane.

5. *From Classis of New Brunswick.*—Rev. S. B. How, D.D., William H. Steele, John De Witt, D.D. *Elders*.—¹Lawrence Van Derveer, ²James I. Garretson, Isaac Voorhees.

6. *From Classis of Raritan.*—Rev. C. H. Edgar, ⁴Jas. Le Fevre, ¹Wm. Brush. *Elders*—Peter Latourette, Aaron J. Auten, Peter V. Staats.

7. *From Classis of Passaic.*—Rev. J. E. Bernart, J. F. Harris, ²Barnabas V. Collins. *Elder*—Jonathan B. Webb.

8. *From Classis of Paramus.*—Rev. John H. Duryea, ¹Ferdinand H. Vanderveer, D.D., ⁴John R. Brock. *Elders*—Peter A. Hopper, ¹Henry Pelton.

9. *From South Classis of Long Island.*—⁴Rev. James Eells, D.D., Jacob West, Anson F. Munn. *Elders*—John A. Lott, F. J. Hosford, Williamson Rapelye.

10. *From North Classis of Long Island.*—Rev. William Anderson, Elbert S. Porter, D.D., D. Wortman, Jr. *Elders*—N. Wyckoff, Wm. Ferris, A. J. Beekman.

11. *From Classis of Poughkeepsie.*—Rev. H. R. Timlow, ¹Henry Dater, ¹Wm. A. Cornell. *Elders*—John Graham, ¹D. R. Thompson.

12. *From Classis of Philadelphia.*—Rev. M. L. Schenck, J. V. N. Talmage, J. H. Suydam. *Elder*—³E. Van Vliet.

13. *From Classis of Hudson.*—Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D., ¹John G. Johnson, ¹William Lyall.⁶ *Elders*—⁴John C. Newkirk, ¹Philip Niver.⁶

14. *From Classis of Westchester.*—Rev. Charles D. Buck, Henry M. Johnson, Victor M. Hulbert. *Elders*—Isaac Varian, Sanford Cobb, ²Charles Dusenberry.

15. *From the Classis of Monmouth.*—Rev. William Reiley, D.D., ⁴A. C. Millspaugh, ¹E. W. Collier. *Elders*—⁴Hendrick V. Luyster, ¹Denise Thompson, ¹Joseph I. Van Mater.

16. *From Classis of Arcot.*—Rev. Joseph Scudder.

1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.

2. Took his seat on the third day of the Session.

3. Took his seat on the sixth day of the Session.

4. Took his seat on the seventh day of the Session.

5. Obtained leave of absence on the seventh day of the Session.

6. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.

From the Particular Synod of Albany.

1. *From Classis of Albany.*—⁴Rev. Rufus W. Clark, D. D., J. Lansing Pearse, Hiram Slauson. *Elders*—⁴Stephen Van Rensselaer, ¹John McHarg, Robert Moak.

2. *From Classis of Schenectady.*—Rev. Auson Du Bois, ¹G. H. Peeke. *Elders*—Jeremiah Schuyler, ¹Jacob F. Clute, ⁶²Thomas B. Mitchell.

3. *From Classis of Rensselaer.*—Rev. R. H. Steele, John A. Staats, ²P. Q. Wilson. *Elders*—²P. P. Barringer, ²Martinus Lansing, ¹²A. Dings.

4. *From Classis of Schoharie.*—Rev. C. E. Crispell, Wm. A. Benedict, ¹T. L. Shafer. *Elders*—⁶P. S. Danforth, F. Hager, ¹James Lewis.

5. *From Classis of Ulster.*—Rev. W. L. James, John Minor, ¹Isaac H. Collier. *Elders*—¹C. B. Tipp, ¹Christopher Fiero, ²Luther Laffin.

6. *From Classis of Montgomery.*—Rev. R. Wells, D.D., J. G. Hall, ¹N. Bogardus. *Elders*—J. Pollock, ²A. Hees, ⁶S. Mitchell.

7. *From Classis of Cayuga.*—Rev. J. R. Talmage, John Garretson, D.D., George Rockwell.

8. *From Classis of Orange.*—⁶Rev. A. B. Van Zandt, D.D., Wm. S. Heyer, ¹S. W. Mills. *Elders*—S. Kidd, Wm. A. Traphagen, ¹S. R. Van Duzer.

9. *From Classis of Greene.*—⁶Rev. S. P. M. Hastings, S. T. Searle, ¹A. F. Gilbert. *Elders*—⁵Charles Starr, ¹J. Hancock, ⁶²Francis Elting.

10. *From Classis of Geneva.*—Rev. T. G. Watson, B. Bassler, Charles Wiley, D.D. *Elder*—P. H. Jeremiah.

11. *From Classis of Kingston.*—Rev. C. H. Stitt, B. C. Lippincott, John N. Jansen. *Elders*—Derick W. Eltinge, Ten Eyck De Witt, James Johnson.

12. *From Classis of Saratoga.*—¹Rev. John H. Bevier. *Elders*—Samuel Crawford, ¹Edwin Andrews, ¹John Goewy.

1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.

2. Took his seat on the third day of the Session.

3. Took his seat on the sixth day of the Session.

4. Obtained leave of absence on the third day of the Session.

5. Obtained leave of absence on the fourth day of the Session.

6. Obtained leave of absence on the seventh day of the Session.

7. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.

8. Was succeeded by Rev. Charles Scott on the seventh day of the Session.

From the Particular Synod of Chicago.

1. *From Classis of Michigan*.—Rev. William Bailey.
2. *From Classis of Illinois*.—Rev. C. G. Vanderveer, A. Thompson.
3. *From Classis of Holland*.—Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., A. C. Van Raalte, D.D.

ARTICLE III.

MODERATORS.

The Rev. Talbot W. Chambers was chosen *President*; Rev. John De Witt, *Adressor*; and the Rev. Messrs. Richard H. Steele and James Lefevre, *Clerks pro tem*.

ARTICLE IV.

READING OF THE MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last Ordinary Session of Synod were read.

Acts of the Synod.

ARTICLE I.

ORDERS AND RULES.

These were read.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed.

On Professorate.—Rev. E. S. Porter, B. Bassler, James Eells. Elders, S. B. Schieffelin and J. C. Newkirk.

On Synodical Minutes.—Rev. James Talmage, J. H. Duryea, C. D. Buck. Elders, J. Pollock, D. W. Eltinge.

On Domestic Missions.—Rev. C. E. Crispell, W. Anderson, M. B. Riddle. Elders, P. V. Staats, C. B. Tipp.

On Foreign Missions.—Rev. Isaac Ferris, W. H. Steele, J. H. Suydam. Elders, John A. Lott, F. J. Hosford.

On the State of Religion.—Rev. Charles Wiley, R. H. Clark, H. R. Timlow. Elders, S. Van Rensselaer, J. Delamater.

On Education.—Rev. A. B. Van Zandt, M. L. Schenck, J. G. Hall. Elders, B. C. Miller, T. E. De Witt.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.—Rev. W. R. Gordon, J. N. Jansen, T. G. Watson. Elders W. Rapelye, P. H. Jeremiah.

On the Widows' Fund.—Rev. Ransford Wells, J. A. Staats, A. C. Millspaugh. Elders, G. Van Nostrand, James Johnson.

On Publication.—Rev. P. Phelps, Jr., C. H. Stitt, C. H. Edgar. Elders, P. S. Danforth, Sanford Cobb.

On Nominations.—Rev. Jacob West, J. G. Johnson, J. Scudder. Elders, A. J. Beekman, W. Ferris.

On Correspondence.—Rev. William Reiley, J. V. N. Talmage, W. Bailey. Elders, N. Wyckoff, S. Kidd.

On Accounts.—Rev. G. Rockwell, C. G. Vanderveer, S. T. Searle. Elders, A. J. Auten, Samuel Crawford.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following Report was received from the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, was read and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary met in Peter Hertzog Hall, on Tuesday, May 19th, 1863, at 12 o'clock, M. The President of the last meeting being absent, Rev. Elbert Nevius was appointed President, *pro tem.*, who opened the meeting with prayer. The following members were present :

John Simonson,
Wilson Ingalls,
F. N. Zabriskie,
J. L. McNair,
J. H. Manning,
William Reiley, D.D.,
Joseph Knieskern,
John De Witt, D.D.,
Peter Stryker,

M. S. Hutton, D.D.,
Charles Scott,
Isaac D. Cole,
W. J. R. Taylor, D.D.,
Samuel Van Vechten,
Elbert Nevius,
H. A. Raymond,
C. L. Van Dyck,
James Bolton.

The following Classes were not represented at this meeting, viz :
Arcot, Bergen, South Bergen, Geneva, Holland, Hudson, Illinois,
North Classis of Long Island, Michigan, Passaic, Raritan, Saratoga,
Schenectady and Wisconsin.

The seats of the following members become vacant by the expiration of their terms of service at the next meeting of the General Synod, viz :

John Simonson,
W. W. Halloway,
J. H. Manning,
H. Heermance,
Joseph Knieskern,
John De Witt, D.D.,

M. S. Hutton, D.D.,
P. S. Talmage,
W. J. R. Taylor, D.D.,
Samuel Van Vechten,
John F. Mesick, D.D.,
Isaac G. Duryea.

The Board was organized by the election of Rev. Elbert Nevius, President, and Rev. John H. Manning, Clerk.

From the report of the Faculty it appeared that the following has been the attendance of students at the Seminary during the past year :

Senior Class.

William H. Ballagh,
J. W. Beardslee,
Francis M. Bogardus,
W. E. Bogardus,
Richard De Witt,
Julius W. Geyer,
A. J. Hageman,
John H. Karsten,
James Lyell,

William H. Phraner,
William J. Skillman,
Dupuytren Vermilye,
H. M. Voorhees,
William B. Voorhees,
J. H. Van Doren,
Charles W. Wilson,
Egbert Winter,
Jeremiah L. Zabriskie..... 18

Middle Class.

Benjamin A. Bartholf,
G. De Witt Bodine,
J. W. Borst,
D. Brock,
Solomon T. Cole,
Thomas J. Dusenberre,
John Garretson,

Chester D. Hartrauft,
Abraham M. Quick,
W. B. Van Benschoten,
James Wyckoff,
William P. Zabriskie,
T. Van Vliet..... 13

Junior Class.

W. H. Anderson,
Cornelius Brett,
A. H. Brush,
Peter De Free,
J. H. Doremus,
C. W. Fritts,
Oscar Gesner,

F. A. Horton,
John Justin,
Peter Lepeltak,
William B. Merritt,
C. H. Riggs,
J. V. N. Schenk,
E. N. Sebring,

B. T. Statesir,	W. H. Vroom,	
S. W. Strong,	D. B. Wyckoff,	
E. Van Slyke,	T. W. Wells.....	20
Total.....		51

Mr. Van Doren, of the Senior Class, enlisted as a private in the army during the last summer, and has not therefore been in attendance at the Seminary during the year.

Mr. Riggs, of the Middle Class, has been absent by permission.

Mr. Van Vliet, of the Middle Class, left the institution in November last, on account of confirmed ill health.

Mr. W. P. Zabriskie, of the Middle Class, has been frequently and for long periods absent, partly in consequence of the sickness and death of his relatives.

The Board adopted the following resolution in reference to Mr. Zabriskie :

Resolved, That he be not allowed to proceed with his Class unless in the judgment of the Professors he shall in a great degree have made up the deficiencies caused by his absence from the recitations of the last year.

With the above exceptions, the Faculty report that the attendance, general conduct and health of the students have been good.

Mr. W. Schlieder has attended the recitations of the Junior Class, but could not be admitted as a member of the Seminary, for the want of those literary qualifications required by the General Synod. The Professors, however, speak of him in the highest terms, and recommend him to General Synod in their report to this Board for a dispensation.

The following resolution was adopted, viz :

Resolved, That this Board cordially unite with the Professors in recommending to General Synod that Mr. Schlieder, in view of his age, piety, diligence and attainments, be permitted to pursue his studies as a recognized member of the Seminary, and that a dispensation to this effect be granted by Synod.

We record with pleasure the fact, that two of the Senior Class have devoted themselves to the work of Foreign Missions.

The examinations were well sustained by the students, and afforded abundant evidence of the ability and fidelity of the Professors.

The members of the Senior Class were heard in the delivery of specimen sermons, and were examined on personal piety, and their views in entering the ministry.

Resolved, That the examination of the members of the Senior Class be sustained, with the exception of one, who is recommended to remain another year in the Theological Seminary.

Resolved, That the members of the Class whose examination has

been sustained, be recommended to the Theological Faculty for their Professoral Certificates.

All the students of the Seminary were interrogated in regard to the law of General Synod on the subject of preaching, and the Board are sorry to report that there has been one violation. A member of the Senior Class acknowledged that he had ignorantly and unintentionally violated the law on one occasion. Under these circumstances it was

Resolved, That he be excused.

An excellent portrait of the late Professor Ludlow has been presented by a lady through Professor Campbell.

The following resolution was adopted in relation to it, viz :

Resolved, That the Board rejoice to be able to add to the portraits which already adorn the walls of the chapel, that of the Rev. Dr. Ludlow, and desire to render their sincere thanks to the kind donor.

The Faculty state their regret that through an oversight the acknowledgment of the generous donation of five hundred and eighty volumes, comprising the most valuable part of the late Professor Van Vranken's library, was not noticed in the last annual report.

The following resolution was adopted, viz :

Resolved, That the important and valuable addition to the Library of five hundred and eighty volumes, comprising the most valuable part of Rev. Dr. Van Vranken's library, and which was so generously made last year by Mrs. Mary Van Vranken, Mrs. Frances Holmes, and Mrs. Gansevoort Van Vranken, demand the warmest acknowledgment and the sincerest thanks of General Synod.

At the close of the examination the address to the students was delivered by Rev. W. J. R. Taylor, D.D.

A communication was received from T. C. Doremus, Esq., in reply to a resolution of last year, requesting the Committee on the Scudder Monument to select a new site and to remove it, informing the Board that the Committee had made their final report, and were discharged. Therefore, it was

Resolved, That the following resolution passed last year by the Board be referred to General Synod, viz :

Resolved, That in the unanimous judgment of this Board, the site selected for the Scudder Monument is not well adapted to secure either the symmetry of the grounds, or the best effect of the monument itself, and that the Committee who have located it be respectfully requested to remove it to a new site, to be selected by themselves in connection with the Professors.

In concluding their report, the Board would unite in their hearty thanks to the Great Head of the Church for his favor to our institu-

tion, and at the same time, commend it to the prayers and efforts of the whole Church, for its continual prosperity and usefulness.

J. L. McNAIR, *Chairman*.

A true copy,

P. D. VAN CLEEF, *Stated Clerk*.

A communication was received from Rev. T. W. Chambers, covering a letter from Geo. Deforest Lord, Esq., in relation to a bequest made by Rev. Dr. Bethune to the Theological Seminary, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A memorial was received from students of the Theological Seminary in regard to the expenses of a residence in Peter Hertzog Hall, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from the Classis of New York, asking a dispensation in behalf of William M. Van Wagenen, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication in reference to Sunday schools was received from the Classis of Poughkeepsie, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A communication in reference to Contingent Expenses of Synod was received from the Classis of Geneva and referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Revs. John Garretson, S. W. Mills, J. L. Chapman, Elders B. C. Miller, and F. J. Hosford.

A communication was received from the Classis of Michigan, asking relief from a part of their indebtedness to the General Synod for Minutes, and was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from the Classis of Orange on the subject of Contingent Expenses, which was referred to the Special Committee on the subject.

A communication was received from Rev. Prof. Berg in regard to furniture and repairs of the house occupied by him, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from the Consistory of the First Reformed Dutch Church of Schenectady, extending an invitation to the General Synod, to hold their annual Session in 1864 in their church.

It was resolved that the invitation be accepted.

A communication was received from George A. Mills, asking for a dispensation enabling him to enter the Theological Seminary, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF CORPORATION.

The following Report of the Board of Direction of the Corporation was received, accompanied with the Annual Digest, the Treasurer's Annual Report, a list of Securities belonging to the General Synod, a list of the subscribers to the Widow's Fund, a list of Endowed Scholarships, and report of John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, in relation to the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.

The Board of Direction respectfully report, that during the past year considerable addition has been made to the educational funds of the Church.

There has been received from James Suydam, Esq., the sum of ten thousand dollars, to be invested, and the income therefrom to be applied to the education of pious and indigent young men preparing for the Gospel Ministry of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, and the Board would recommend that the same be designated as the James Suydam Scholarships.

The Rev. Thomas De Witt, D.D., has also paid into the hands of the Treasurer of General Synod, the sum of twenty-five hundred dollars, for the endowment of a scholarship for the education of pious young men for the Ministry of the Reformed Dutch Church, to be called The Theodore Frelinghuysen De Witt Scholarship.

There has been recovered from the estate of the late Samuel Gates, Esq., deceased, the sum of one hundred and seven dollars and twenty-eight cents, on account of the moneys bequeathed by said Samuel Gates, deceased, to the General Synod, for the purpose of aiding pious young men in procuring an education for the Gospel Ministry.

The Widows' Fund amounts to \$19,089 38. The collections from Churches in aid of this fund and donations from individuals during the past year, amount to \$1,135 43. In this amount is included the sum of \$120, being the amount of annual subscriptions due to two subscribers who have generously donated said amount to the principal of the fund. The amount withdrawn during the year is \$1,180. There are now forty-five subscribers to the Fund; and the sum of \$104 has been paid this year to the annuitants.

In accordance with the direction of General Synod, the Board took measures to obtain the consent of those interested in the Fund to the proposed amendments, and would now report that such assent has been obtained, and they would therefore recommend that General Synod announce the same, and have the plan as amended, embodied in their Minutes.

Church Building Fund.—Two loans made by the Board of Domestic Missions; one of \$2,300 to the Reformed Dutch Church at Battle Creek, Michigan, and one of \$1,000 to the Reformed Dutch Church at Bushnell, Illinois, have been paid out of the Church Building Fund.

The corporation of the City of New Brunswick having ordered that the street in the rear of the College be filled in, and graded, the Board have directed the work adjacent to the College grounds to be done, and ask General Synod to confirm their act.

In accordance with a resolution of General Synod (found in their Minutes of 1860, page 557) application has been made to the Legislature of Michigan, to confirm the title of General Synod to the Holland Academy, and to authorize the Church to hold real estate in that State, and the Board are happy to be able to report that the Legislature of Michigan at its last session passed an act on the subject, of which the following is a copy :

" No. 64, (House) }
" STATE OF MICHIGAN (1863.) }

" The People of the State of Michigan enact that the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, a body corporate under the laws of the State of New York, is hereby authorized and shall have the capacity to have, receive, hold and enjoy by gift, grant, purchase, devise or other legal or equitable form of conveyance, the real estate and premises in the County of Ottawa, and State of Michigan, known as the Holland Academy, and the grounds connected therewith for the purposes of said Academy, and their appurtenances; and the sale of said property heretofore made to said Church, is hereby confirmed : And, also, any other real estate that may be conveyed to said Corporation for educational purposes.

" Provided that said Corporation shall not continue to hold any real estate in this State, not actually occupied by it in the exercise of its franchises, for a longer period than ten years."

The Board would acknowledge with grateful feelings the valuable services rendered by the Rev. P. Phelps, Jr., and the Hon. M. D. Howard, a member of the Legislature of Michigan, in obtaining the passing of this Act.

As soon as the Board were informed of the passing of the above Act, they in connection with the Board of Education, to whom the subject had been jointly referred by General Synod, proceeded to consider the relations of the Holland Academy to General Synod, and the result of their deliberations will come before Synod in the joint Report of the two Boards, to be communicated by the Board of Education.

The Board are happy to state that a very large proportion of the Classes have complied with the resolution of General Synod at its last meeting in regard to the deficiency in the income of Synod. A number of the Classes have generously contributed an amount equal to their previous assessments. The following Classes, however, were

in arrears on the 30th April last, which is the close of the financial year :

Classis of Passaic	\$86 62
“ Poughkeepsie.....	12 75
“ Cayuga	82 50
“ Saratoga	52 87
“ Schenectady	88 87
“ Wisconsin.....	1 87
“ Orange	18 75
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	344 23

The Classes of Orange and Saratoga have since paid what was due from them. Any other information which General Synod may desire will be found in the accompanying Report of the Treasurer.

All which is respectfully submitted,

W. B. CROSBY, *President*,
 JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer*.
 M. S. HUTTON,
 P. R. WARNER, } *Directors*.
 JOHN VAN NEST, }

New York, June 1st, 1863.

Treasurer's Annual Account.

*The General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in
account with JOHN I. BROWER, Treasurer.*

1862.		Dr.	
May	9	To cash paid the following persons for six months annuity from the Widows' Fund, due 1st inst.:	
		Mrs. Jane Hunt.....	\$3 00
		" Maria Rudy.....	6 00
		" Maria Lansing.....	6 00
		" Lydia M. W. Sluyter.....	8 00
		" Harriet V. V. Mabon.....	8 00
		" Catharine E. Van Wagenen.....	8 00
		" Esther S. Winfield.....	8 00
		" Caroline Hoff.....	8 00
		" Esther Hammond.....	8 00
		" Mary A. Van Liew.....	8 00
		" Jane Harlow.....	8 00
		Rev. John Gray.....	8 00
		" R. W. Knight.....	8 00
		Mr. John F. Ward, M.D., guardian for three minor children of the late Rev. James Scott, D.D.....	9 00
			\$104 00
	13	paid the following Clergymen the amounts heretofore paid by them into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn and donated to the principal of the Fund, viz:	
		Rev. James Brownlee.....	\$20 00
		" Theo. L. Cuyler.....	100 00
			120 00
June	6	paid the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst, viz:	
		Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D.....	\$525 00
		" Joseph F. Berg, D.D.....	450 00
		" Sam'l M. Woodbridge, D.D.....	450 00
			1,425 00
	7	paid the following Insurance Companies for insurance on the Peter Hertzog Hall, for one year from 9th inst., viz:	
		Washington Ins. Co., on \$5,000.....	\$37 50
		Manhattan " on 5,000.....	37 50
		N. Brunswick " on 5,000.....	37 50
			112 50
		Carried forward.....	\$1,761 50

1862.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$1,761 50
June 12	To cash paid the Rev. E. S. Porter, D.D., for traveling expenses in attending the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, at Columbus, Ohio, as Corresponding Delegate..	50 00
	paid the following Delegates for traveling expenses in attending the meeting of General Synod at Syracuse this month, viz:	
18	Rev. Joseph Scudder, from Classis of Arcot.....	\$30 00
14	Rev. C. Van Der Meulen, from Classis of Holland.....	28 00
	Rev. J. Van Der Meulen, from Classis of Wisconsin.....	32 00
	Elder Jacob Tremper, from the Classis of Illinois.....	36 00
16	Rev. E. P. Livingston, from Classis of Illinois.....	36 00
28	Rev. Harrison Heermance, from Classis of Michigan.....	28 00
		190 00
23	Rev. P. D. Van Cleef for one year's salary as Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents.....	25 00
24	Mrs. Catharine Murphy, amount of appropriation from the Sustentation Fund.....	50 00
30	Rev. D. D. Demarest, D.D., for traveling expenses in attending the meeting of General Synod.....	\$7 70
	for expenses of General Synod at their meeting this month.....	26 60
		34 30
	the Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for interest on amount of invested scholarships.....	\$1,200 00
	for six months' dividend on fifty shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.....	175 00
		1,375 00
July 8	Mrs. Elizabeth C. Strong, Executrix, amount of one year's salary, which would have been due in June last to the late Rev. Thos. M. Strong, D.D., as Stated Clerk of the General Synod.....	\$150 00
	for postage, stationery, &c.....	4 50
		154 50
17	Rev. G. Ludlow, D.D., for traveling expenses in attending the meeting of General Synod at Syracuse, to preach the sermon on the benevolent operations of the Church.....	14 00
28	the Home Insurance Company for insurance on the Parsonage dwelling house, at Alexandria, N. Y....	3 15
	Carried forward.....	\$3,657 45

1862.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$3,657 45
July 30	To cash paid Rev. Thomas B. Gregory, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund and now withdrawn.....	200 00
Aug. 20	the North River Insurance Company, premium on \$4,000, insured on the furniture and library in the Peter Hertzog Hall, for one year from this date.....	30 00
21	Rev. John A. De Baun amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund and now withdrawn.....	100 00
Sept. 3	the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst., viz: Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D..... \$525 00 " Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D..... 450 00 " Joseph F. Berg, D.D..... 450 00	1,425 00
26	Hosford & Ketcham, for circulars for Committee on Contingent Fund.....	2 50
27	North River Insurance Company, for additional insurance on the furniture and library in the Peter Hertzog Hall.....	14 29
29	Board of Foreign Missions, amount of bequest of Mrs. Eliza Berry, late of Hackensack, N. J., deceased.....	20 00
	Board of Domestic Missions, amount of bequest of Mrs. Eliza Berry, late of Hackensack, N. J., deceased.....	20 00
Oct. 1	Rev. Herman B. Stryker, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund and now withdrawn.....	120 00
6	Rev. Peter Stryker, amount of annual payments made by him into the Widows' Fund, for the years 1855 to 1859 inclusive, and now withdrawn.....	100 00
8	John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers' College as follows, viz: for one year's interest to June 20th, 1862, on the Henry Rutgers donation of \$5,000... \$300 00 for four semi-annual dividends on ten shares of Bergen Turnpike Stock, to June 1st, 1862..... 20 00	320 00
31	Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D., Treasurer of the Peter Hertzog Hall, for one year's salary of the Janitor to 16th inst..... \$100 00 for fuel for the same time..... 20 00	120 00
	Board of Domestic Missions, amount of income for one year to 1st inst., from a portion of the estate of Wm. Mandeville, dec., directed to be paid for the support of the Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church....	161 60
	Carried forward.....	\$6,290 84

1862.		Dr.	
		Brought forward.....	\$6,290 84
Nov.	1	To cash paid Rev. Cornelius Wyckoff, amount of one annual payment made by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn.....	20 00
	12	Rev. John Gray, amount of appropriation from the Sustentation Fund.....	50 00
	28	Mrs. Elizabeth Jukes, amount of appropriation from the Sustentation Fund.....	30 00
		Rev. Ransford Wells, D.D., amount of one annual payment made by him to the Widows' Fund for the year 1854, and now withdrawn.....	20 00
		Rev. Sam'l B. Ayers, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn.....	100 00
	29	Rev. Richard H. Steele, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund and now withdrawn.....	180 00
Dec.	1	the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due this day, viz:	
		Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D.....	\$525 00
		" Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D.....	450 00
		" Joseph F. Berg, D.D.....	450 00
			1,425 00
	30	Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, as follows, viz:	
		for six months, interest to 4th inst, on amount of invested scholarships.....	\$1,300 00
		for six months' dividend on fifty shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.....	175 00
			1,475 00
1863.			
Jan.	2	Robert Laird, W. S. Jennings, and F. W. Brooks, Trustees of the Reformed Dutch Church at Battle Creek, Michigan, twenty three hundred dollars, being amount of a loan from the Church Building Fund, made by the Board of Domestic Missions to said Church, on a bond of the said Trustees secured by a mortgage on said premises.....	2,300 00
	15	the following Insurance Companies for insurance on Rutgers' College, for one year from this date, viz:	
		Greenwich Ins. Co., on \$5,000.....	\$27 00
		North River " on 3,000.....	18 00
			45 00
	26	the Trustees of the Reformed Dutch Church at Bushnell, Ill., (per J. Ford Morris, one of the Trustees,) one thousand dollars, being amount of a loan from the Church Building Fund, made by the Board of Domestic Missions to said Church, on the bond of said Trustees, secured by a mortgage on said premises.....	1,000 00
		Carried forward.....	\$12,985 84

1863.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$12,985 84
Feb. 16	To cash paid Mrs. Catharine Murphy, amount of appropriation from the Sustentation Fund.....	50 00
	Rev. Goyn Talmage, amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn.....	220 00
27	*Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, amount of proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.....	259 50
March 5	the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst., viz: Rev. William H. Campbell, D.D..... \$525 00 " Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D..... 450 00 " Joseph F. Berg, D.D..... 450 00	1,425 00
April 14	the Home Insurance Company, premium on \$5,000, insured on the Holland Academy, Michigan, for one year from this date.....	62 50
27	the Board of Publication, per Wm. Ferris, Agent, for 1,300 copies of Minutes of General Synod for 1862..... \$285 02 for interest thereon 8 months..... 13 29	298 31
29	John A. Hardenbergh, amount borrowed from him for the Church Building Fund..... 500 00 the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the city of New York, fifteen thousand dollars, being amount of a loan on their bond bearing date April 29, 1863..... 15,000 00 John I. Brower, for one year's salary to 30th inst., as Treasurer of General Synod. \$450 00 for postage, stationery, and discount on uncurrent money..... 12 76	
		\$462 76
	for one year's salary to 30th inst., for management of Widows' Fund.. \$150 00 for postage, stationery, and discount on uncurrent money..... 6 14	156 14
		618 90
		\$31,370 06
30	Balance on hand carried to new account.....	2,993 99
	Total.....	\$34,364 04

1862.	Or.	
April 30	By balance from last account.....	\$1,189 42
May 5	By cash received for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	175 00
6	for six months' interest to 2d inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
	for six months' interest to 2d inst. on \$1,000, balance of bond.....	35 00
8	for six months' interest to April 28th on two bonds of \$6,500 each.....	455 00
13	from the following clergymen as a donation to the Widows' Fund, viz: Rev. James Brownlee..... \$20 00 " Theo. L. Cuyler..... 100 00	120 00
21	for six months' interest to this date on \$6,000, balance of bond.....	180 00
29	for six months' int. to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000 for six months' interest to 16th inst. on bond of \$12,000.....	150 00 360 00
	for one year's interest to 1st inst. on subscription of \$5,000 of the Collegiate Reformed Dutch Church to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	300 00
June 2	for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$20,000.....	600 00
4	for seventeen months' and five days' interest to June 5th on \$1,000, balance of bond of John Landaal.....	100 00
	from John Landaal on account of the principal of his bond.....	200 00
6	for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$10,000.....	350 00
	for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of \$7,500 each.....	525 00
24	for six months' int. to this date on bond of \$9,000	315 00
26	for six months' dividend on 50 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.	175 00
28	for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of the New York & New Haven Railroad Co. from David W. Wetmore for one year's interest to May 1st on his subscription to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	70 00 30 00
July 31	from Samuel Smith, Esq., for one year's interest to May 1st on his subscription to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	15 00
18	from John S. Perry and Jacob C. Van Dyck, Executors of the Estate of the late Samuel Gates (per L. K. Miller, Esq.), on account of the monies bequeathed by said Samuel Gates, deceased, to the General Synod, to be invested, and the income to be appropriated to the education of pious young men in preparing for the Gospel Ministry.....	107 28
	Carried forward.....	\$5,621 70

1862.	Cr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$5,521 70
Aug. 8	By cash received from P. V. N. Morris for the Sustentation Fund.....	5 00
9	for six months' interest to October 10th, 1862, on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
14	for six months' interest to 5th inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	175 00
	for six months' interest to 5th inst. on bond of \$4,000.....	140 00
Sept. 1	for six months' interest to this date on \$3,750, balance of bond.....	181 25
	on account of a judgment of foreclosure obtained by General Synod.....	1,000 00
18	from Rev. J. R. Berry and Rev. Benj. C. Taylor, D.D., Executors of the Estate of Mrs. Eliza Berry, deceased, amount of bequest for the support of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.....	20 00
	amount of bequest for the support of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Prot. Dutch Church.....	20 00
27	for six months' interest to May 1st, 1862, on \$5,000, balance of bond.....	175 00
30	for dividends on 28 shares of the Bergen Turnpike stock.....	46 00
Oct. 14	from the Rev. Thomas De Witt, D.D., for the endowment of a Scholarship for the education of a pious young man for the Ministry of the Ref. Prot. Dutch Church, to be called "The Theodore Frelinghuysen De Witt Scholarship".....	2,500 00
15	for six months' interest to 16th inst. on \$4,000, balance of bond.....	140 00
	from the Collegiate Reformed Dutch Church for the Sustentation Fund.....	86 13
	from Jacob Brouwer, Executor of the Estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, amount of income for the year ending 1st inst. from a portion of said Estate, directed to be paid for the support of the Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.....	161 60
28	for six months' interest to 21st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	175 00
	for six months' interest to this date on three bonds amounting to \$11,000.....	385 00
28	for six months' interest to 22d inst. on two bonds amounting to \$5,250.....	183 75
Nov. 14	for six months' interest to October 27th on bond of \$2,800.....	84 00
	for six months' interest to 27th inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
15	from Wm. Rowland for assignment to him of the bond and mortgage of John Mills.....	2,000 00
	for interest on said bond to this date.....	13 60
	Carried forward.....	\$18,103 08

1862.	Cr.	
		Brought forward..... \$12,103 08
Nov. 20		By cash received for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000..... 150 00
		for six months' interest to 16th inst. on bond of \$12,000..... 360 00
21		for six months' interest to this date on \$6,000, balance of bond..... 180 00
25		for six months' interest to 1st inst. on bond of \$5,000..... 175 00
		for six months' interest to 2d inst. on bond of \$2,000..... 70 00
		for six months' interest to 2d inst. on \$1,000, balance of bond..... 35 00
Dec. 1		for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$20,000..... 600 00
6		for six months' interest to November 1st on \$5,000, balance of bond..... 175 00
8		for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of \$7,500 each..... 525 00
23		for six months' interest to 24th inst. on bond of \$9,000..... 315 00
29		for six months' interest to October 28th on bond of \$6,500..... 227 50
30		for six months' dividend on 50 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co..... 175 00
31		for six months' interest to 1st inst. on two bonds of the New York & New Haven Railroad Co. 67 90
1863.		
Jan. 8		from the Collegiate Reformed Dutch Church for the Sustentation Fund..... 55 03
		for six months' interest to October 28th on bond of \$6,500..... 227 50
13		from Geo. W. Jewett, Executor of the Estate of Cornelius Duryee, deceased, for one year's interest to May 1st, 1862, on subscription to the Permanent Fund of General Synod..... 15 00
24		from the Ref. Dutch Church, Overysel, Michigan, for the Sustentation Fund..... 5 65
27		from John A. Hardenbergh, amount borrowed for the Church Building Fund..... 500 00
30		from Refd. Dutch Church, Grand Haven, Michigan, for the Sustentation Fund..... 6 22
Feb. 6		for one year's interest to November 15, 1862, on bond of \$400 of the Trustees of the First Refd. Dutch Church, Grand Rapids, Mich..... 24 00
		for six months' interest to 5th inst. on bond of \$5,000..... 175 00
		for six months' interest to 5th inst. on bond of \$4,000..... 140 00
20		for proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co..... 259 50
21		from the Refd. Dutch Church, Holland, Mich., for the Sustentation Fund..... 19 55
		Carried forward..... \$17,585 88

1863.	Cr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$17,585 88
March 2	By cash received for six months' interest to 1st inst. on \$2,750, balance of bond.....	96 25
4	from Refd. Dutch Church, Vriesland, Michigan, for the Sustentation Fund.....	4 00
17	from Refd. Dutch Church (German), New Brooklyn, for the Sustentation Fund.....	2 50
23	from James Suydam, Esq., ten thousand dollars, said amount to be invested and the income therefrom to be applied to the education of pious and indigent young men preparing for the Gospel Ministry of the Ref. P. Dutch Church.....	10,000 00
28	from the Ref. Dutch Church, Overysael, Mich., for the Sustentation Fund.....	5 00
April 15	for six months' interest to 16th inst. on \$4,000, balance of bond.....	140 00
20	for one year's interest to 1st inst. on six bonds of the Township of Holland, Ottawa Co., Mich.	42 00
22	for six months' interest to this date on two bonds amounting to \$5,250.....	183 75
27	for six months' interest to 21st inst. on bond of \$5,000.....	175 00
28	for six months' interest to 23d inst. on three bonds amounting to \$11,000.....	385 00
29	for six months' interest to 27th inst. on bond of \$2,800.....	84 00
	for six months' interest to 27th inst. on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
	from Farmers' Loan and Trust Company for interest on deposit of \$5,000.....	52 50
	from United States Trust Company, interest on deposit of \$3,000.....	9 50
	interest on deposit of \$7,000.....	22 17
	from the following Classes during the year for Minutes of General Synod, viz:	
	Scholarie.....	\$18 50
	Albany.....	31 25
	Bergen.....	14 40
	Greene.....	7 80
	North Long Island.....	12 00
	South New York.....	21 00
	New York.....	34 20
	South Bergen.....	21 90
	Monmouth.....	10 70
	Poughkeepsie.....	11 10
	Geneva.....	32 88
	Holland.....	3 80
	Paramus.....	14 40
	Montgomery.....	9 00
	Raritan.....	29 40
	Passaic.....	4 80
	Kingston.....	30 00
	Carried forward.....	\$28,857 55

1863.

Cr.

Brought forward.....		\$28,857 55
Wisconsin	20 35	
Hudson.....	32 00	
Illinois.....	15 00	
Philadelphia.....	21 30	
Saratoga.....	6 00	
South Long Island.....	33 55	

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By cash received from the following Classes during the year for Contingent Expenses of General Synod, viz:

Paramus.....	\$64 50
Albany.....	243 41
Geneva.....	22 38
South New York.....	24 37
Kingston.....	13 12
Westchester.....	40 00
South Bergen.....	77 50
Monmouth.....	46 87
North Long Island.....	75 00
Holland.....	1 87
New Brunswick.....	56 25
Philadelphia.....	117 00
Ulster.....	57 01
Hudson.....	15 00
Michigan.....	15 00
South Long Island.....	90 20
Rensselaer.....	58 50
Greene.....	7 50
Illinois.....	3 50
Schoharie.....	53 34
Montgomery.....	67 00
Raritan.....	70 00
Poughkeepsie.....	66 00
Bergen.....	35 00
New York.....	180 00

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during the year for the Widows' Fund, as follows, viz:

South Dutch Church, New York.....	\$43 43
P. V. N. Morris.....	5 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Market st., N. Y..	106 92
Ref. Dutch Church, Oyster Bay.....	7 00
First Ref. Dutch Church, Albany.....	141 08
Ref. Dutch Church, Collegiate, N. Y..	102 16
First Ref. Dutch Church, Van Vorst, Jersey City.....	28 08
Second Ref. Dutch Church, Albany...	40 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Franklin, N. J...	2 00
" " Six Mile Run.....	7 68
" " Nyack.....	30 00
" " Paramus.....	41 68
" " Geneva.....	19 89

Carried forward..... \$30,787 70

1863.

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Brought forward.....	\$ 30,787 70
Ref. Dutch Church, Leeds.....	\$12 00
" " East Millstone...	5 04
First Ref. Dutch Church, Glenville...	7 80
Ref. Dutch Church, Piermont. . . .	18 38
" " Pascack	5 30
Second Ref. Dutch Church, Coxsackie.	15 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Tappan.....	9 75
John A. Lott, Flatbush, L. I.....	20 00
C. V. J.....	8 00
Ref. Dutch Church, New Brooklyn.	
(German).....	2 50
Second Ref. Dutch Church, Pough-	
keepsie	20 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Bergen.	32 75
" " Saddle River....	7 00
First Ref. Dutch Church, Paterson. . .	23 72
Second " " " . . .	32 18
Fourth " " Albany (Ger-	
man).....	2 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Kiskatom.....	10 00
First Ref. Dutch Church, Coxsackie...	6 81
Ref. Dutch Church, Oyster Bay.....	4 52
" " Belleville.....	10 00
" " Clarkstown.....	20 00
" " West New Hemp-	
stead	19 28
Ref. Dutch Church, Richmond, S. I. . .	7 54
" " Utica.....	30 00
Mrs. Albert Gregory, of Napanoch. . .	2 00
A friend.....	4 00
G. A. S., of Ref. Dutch Church, Wash-	
ington Square.....	10 00
Ref. Dutch Church, West Leyden, N. Y	4 00
" " Farmer.....	8 50
" " Middleburgh . . .	5 00
" " Acquaackanonk. . .	52 44
" " Lodi, N. J. (Hol-	
land Church).....	2 42
Ref. Dutch Church, New Hackensack,	
N. Y.....	8 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Metuchen.....	9 68
D. G. Park.....	5 00

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By cash received from the following clergymen for their annual payments to the Widows' Fund, viz:

Rev. James R. Talmage.....	\$40 00
" William Lyall.....	20 00
" John C. Guldin.....	20 00
" Charles S. Doeppenschmidt....	20 00
" John Du Bois.....	20 00
" David D. Demarest, D.D.....	20 00
" Stephen H. Meeker.....	20 00

Carried forward..... \$31,808 13

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Brought forward.....		\$31,808 13
Rev. John J. Quick, 2 years and int...	\$41 40	
" J. N. Wyckoff, D.D.....	20 00	
" Benj. Bassler.....	40 00	
" A. B. Taylor.....	20 00	
" Peter Stryker.....	20 00	
" Herman B. Stryker.....	20 00	
" P. J. Quick.....	20 00	
" P. D. Van Cleef.....	20 00	
" R. O. Currie, D.D.....	20 00	
" Cyril Spaulding.....	20 00	
" John M. Ferris.....	20 00	
" Henry A. Raymond.....	20 00	
" C. L. Van Dyck.....	20 00	
" John A. Lansing, D.D.....	20 00	
" Jacob West.....	20 00	
" Philip Peltz.....	20 00	
" John De Witt, D.D.....	20 00	

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By cash received for the Church Building Fund during the year, as follows, viz:

P. V. N. Morris.....	\$5 00
Rev. James Demarest, Jr.....	10 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Greenpoint, L. I..	32 55
" " Flatbush.....	40 68
" " Lodi, N. Y.....	5 00
" " New Paltz.....	29 32
Western Church building.....	70 09
A Friend of Missions.....	100 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Metuchen, N. J...	10 00
First Ref. Dutch Church, Van Voorst,	
Jersey City.....	40 00
Ref. Dutch Church, 34th st., N. York	67 92
Fourth Ref. Dutch Church, Albany	
(German).....	2 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Gravesend L. I...	13 29
" " North Hempstead,	
L. I.....	9 53
First Ref. Dutch Church, Paterson,	
N. J.....	24 75
Ref. Dutch Church, Ramapo.....	1 33
Second Ref. Dutch Church, Schenectady	21 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Dashville Falls...	1 00
" " Port Jervis.....	19 22
First Ref. Dutch Church, Albany.....	86 02
" " Tarrytown...	26 36
Ref. Dutch Church, Walden.....	11 50
Second Ref. Dutch Church, Paterson..	22 80
John A. Hardenbergh.....	50 00
James L. Schieffelin.....	50 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Franklin, N. J...	3 75
" " Fishkill Landing.....	11 80
" " Long Branch.....	3 30

Carried forward..... \$32,344 53

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Brought forward.....	\$32,844 53
Ref. Dutch Church, Minisink.....	\$5 00
" " Upper Red Hook.....	8 00
" " Montville.....	12 53
" " Pascack.....	4 73
Third Ref. Dutch Church, Jersey City.....	27 91
Ref. Dutch Church, Collegiate, N. Y..	13 13
" " Caroline, N. Y....	2 64
New Hackensack.....	13 00
Third Ref. Dutch Church, Raritan, N. J.	12 83
A Friend, in First Ref. Dutch Church,	
New Brunswick.....	50 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Paramus.....	30 00
" " Twenty-third St.,	
New York.....	100 00
Ref. Dutch Church, New Lots.....	7 88
First Ref. Dutch Church, Glenville...	10 35
Ref. Dutch Church, Yonkers.....	11 21
" " Clove.....	15 50
" " Collegiate, N. Y.	51 03
Fourth Ref. Dutch Church, Philadel-	
phia, (German)...	10 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Centreville, Mich.	3 00
" " Glen, New York.	30 50
East Ref. Dutch Church, Brooklyn...	8 25
Ref. Dutch Church, English Neighbor-	
hood.....	5 07
North Ref. Dutch Church, Newark...	35 05
Ref. Dutch Church, Constantine, Mich.	9 50
" " Mottville, Mich...	13 50
Rev. William Bailey.....	25 00
A Friend, Jersey City.....	1 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Ithaca.....	17 22
" " Lodi, N. Y.....	38 47
First Ref. Dutch Church, New Bruns-	
wick.....	17 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Newburgh.....	24 00
" " Collegiate, N. Y..	12 09
" " N. Brooklyn, Ger.	2 50
" " Buskirk's Bridge.	8 00
Samuel B. Schieffelin.....	50 00
Jas. L. Schieffelin.....	50 00
Ref. Dutch Church, Pompton Plains..	20 56
Miss C. M. Brundage, Lodi.....	2 00
Ref. Dutch Church, New Utrecht....	42 60
" " Collegiate, N. Y..	6 59
" " Grahamville.....	3 30
" " Upper Neversink.	2 70
" " Six-Mile-Run.....	25 00
" " Huguenots, S. I..	2 00
" " Hillaboro', N. J..	7 10
" " Harlem.....	43 81
" " Ellenville.....	18 52

Carried forward.....\$32,844 53

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	Brought forward.....	\$32,344 53
	Ref. Dutch Church, Collegiate, N. Y... 285 66	
	" " Stone House Plains 12 86	
	" " Williamsburgh... 20 00	
	Ref. Dutch Church, Hurley, N. Y..... 17 80	
	Rev. B. C. Lippincott..... 5 00	
		2,019 51
	Total.....	\$34,364 04
April 30	By balance on hand brought forward.....	\$2,993 99

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

NEW YORK, April 30th, 1863.

The subscribers, a committee appointed to examine the accounts of John I. Brower, Treasurer, have examined the same, with the vouchers exhibited by him, and find them correct, leaving a balance on hand of two thousand nine hundred and ninety-three dollars and ninety-nine cents.

P. R. WARNER, }
JOHN VAN NEST, } *Committee.*

30th May, 1863.

Annual Digest, 1863.

The Board of Direction submit to General Synod their Annual Digest, as follows :

FUNDS DEVOTED TO EDUCATION.

THE VAN BENSCHOTEN FUND.

This Fund, as reported by John C. Elmendorf, Treasurer of Rutgers College, and which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages upon property in the State of New Jersey, etc., amounted on the 1st of April, 1863, to.....		\$20,318 57
Cash on hand, April 1st, 1863.....		1,176 26
There has been paid to students, out of the interest of this Fund, during the past year.....		<u>1,175 00</u>

LEGACY OF MISS REBECCA KNOX.

The amount of this Fund, which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages on property in the State of New Jersey, is.....		\$2,000 00
Cash on hand, April 1st, 1863.....		<u>188 11</u>

EDUCATION FUND.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds secured by mortgages, and on bonds, for educational purposes.....		\$57,000 00
Balance of principal on 30th of April, 1863.....		1,107 28
Balance of interest received to 30th April, 1863.....		<u>1,210 58</u>

WIDOWS' FUND.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds secured by mortgages, for this Fund.....		\$18,300 00
Balance of principal on 30th April, 1863.....	789 38	
		<u>\$19,089 38</u>
Balance of interest received to 30th April, 1863.....		175 08
There has been paid to annuitants, out of the income of the Fund, during the year.....		<u>104 00</u>

PERMANENT PROFESSORAL FUND.

Under this head are included all the moneys which have been collected and invested on the subscriptions for the Professorships, as well as the moneys formerly in the hands of the Trustees of Rutgers College; also the donation of \$5,000 by the late Colonel Henry Rutgers, for the benefit of Rutgers College, viz:

Loaned by the Board of Direction, secured by bonds and mortgages on real estate, (excepting three bonds of the Collegiate Dutch Church, which are not accompanied by mortgages.)..	\$85,150 00
Twenty-three shares of Bergen Turnpike Stock, ten of which belong to Rutgers College, valued at.....	230 00
Amount of unpaid subscriptions to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	\$12,250 00
Deduct amount which the Board believe cannot be collected	6,250 00
Leaving subscriptions supposed to be good.....	<u>6,000 00</u>

PERMANENT CONTINGENT FUND.

The amount of this Fund on 30th April, 1863, is.....	\$1,209 22
Of which there is loaned on bond and mortgage.....	<u>1,100 00</u>

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

There has been invested for this Board on bond secured by mortgage.....	\$250 00
Balance of interest to 30th April, 1863.....	<u>44 74</u>

SUSTENTATION FUND.

The balance of this Fund, on 30th April, 1863, is.....	<u>\$312 90</u>
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CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The amount of this Fund, on 30th April, 1863, is.....	\$4,541 03
For which the Board of Direction holds bonds and mortgages to the amount of.....	<u>4,500 00</u>

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

There has been received for Minutes of General Synod during the year.....	\$429 83
And there has been paid for printing Minutes.....	<u>298 31</u>

ASSETS IN THE HANDS OF THE TREASURER.

Bonds and mortgages, and bonds, amounting to.....	\$166,300 00
Cash, balance in bank.....	2,993 99
Advanced in anticipation of receipts for interest and contingent expenses, to meet the payments at their usual times.....	797 22
	<u>\$170,091 21</u>

NEW YORK, 30th May, 1863.

W. B. CROSBY, *President.*

M. S. HUTTON, P. R. WARNER, JOHN VAN NEST,	} <i>Directors.</i>
JOHN I. BROWER,	

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

So much of the above Report of the Board of Direction and accompanying documents as relates to the Board of Education, was referred to the Committee on Education ; so much as relates to the Widows' Fund to the Committee on the Widows' Fund ; so much as relates to the Sustentation Fund to a special committee, consisting of Rev. Wm. Reiley, B. Bassler, and the Elder S. B. Schieffelin ; so much as relates to contingent expenses to the special committee on that subject, and the remainder to the Committee on the Professorate.

The Committee on the Sustentation Fund presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the subject of the Sustentation Fund, would respectfully report :

The receipts for the Fund during the last year have been \$189 08. The payments have been \$180. The balance in the hands of the treasurer is \$313 90.

One aged minister and two widows of ministers have been aided during the past year. Only eight Churches have made contributions to the Fund during the year ; and five of the eight belong to a single classis, that of Holland. It is clear that the rest of our Churches either do not understand the object of the Fund, or do not properly estimate it. It is the only fund which makes provision for those ministers who cannot spare the sum that is yearly required, and that for a number of years, before they can avail themselves of the benefit of the Widows' Fund ; or who cannot find others to raise it for them. A number of our ministers obtain only a bare subsistence for their families, with difficulty keeping from debt. The Fund is the provision of the Church for such in the time of old age, distress, and poverty.

When the plan of the Sustentation Fund was first presented to the General Synod, it embraced the aiding of ministers whose congregations could not give them a proper support, and it was, therefore, named the Sustentation Fund. The Synod did not adopt that part of the plan, consequently the name does not properly represent the nature of the Fund. Your committee therefore recommend that it shall hereafter be known as "The Disabled Ministers' Fund," and they also recommend the adoption by General Synod of the following plan for its administration :

Plan of the Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Ref. P. D. Church.

1. The Fund shall be called "The Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church," and shall be administered by the Board of Corporation of the General Synod of said Church, during the pleasure and under the control of General Synod.

2. The Board of Direction shall keep securely invested such contributions as by the special direction of the donors the principal is to be kept, and the interest only to be used.

3. Should there be at any time more money belonging to the Fund than may be immediately required, the same shall be deposited on interest in the New York Life Insurance and Trust Company, or in the United States Trust Company, in the city of New York; or it may be loaned on the stocks of the City, or State of New York, or of the United States.

4. The Fund, with the income of that part of it which, in accordance with special donations, is to be kept invested, shall be used for the support of disabled ministers, and the families of deceased ministers, *when such may be in need.*

5. Applications for aid must be accompanied by a satisfactory recommendation from the Classis to which the applicant belongs, certified by the clerk thereof, and stating the amount needed.

6. The Board of Direction are authorized to make grants on such applications, and it shall present a full report of the receipts, disbursements, and proceedings of the Board, with a statement of the Fund, and the treasurer's account duly audited, each year, to the General Synod.

7. The treasurer shall take charge of the money as received, and make all payments.

8. The Classes are requested to take proper steps to give effect to the action of the General Synod on this subject.

9. All of the Churches under the care of the General Synod are requested to take up a collection yearly for the Fund.

The following extract from one of the reports of the Trustees of the Disabled Ministers' Fund of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.), contains so important a thought, that your committee are induced to embrace it in this report, that the attention of the Classes might be called to the subject:

"The Trustees cannot conclude their report to the Assembly without adverting to one fact more, and which, in their opinion, serves to show the very great and increasing necessity for this department of their labor. The number is not small, of venerable ministers in advanced age, who are retaining pastoral charges, whose duties they are poorly able to perform. In many instances they feel their burden to be greater than they can well sustain; but to relinquish their pulpits is to deprive their families and themselves of their only visible means of support. Some are clinging to their people with an unrequited affection, in spite of many significant hints and mortifying neglects to which they are subjected. But with wounded feelings, and almost broken hearts, they hold on, from year to year, in earnest prayer to God, that they may not be 'cast off in the time of old age'—may not be 'forsaken when their strength faileth.' To seek another settlement and form new associations, at their advanced period of life, is impracticable. Without relatives that are able or willing to help them; without the sympathy of a congregation—most of whom are younger than themselves—their faith sometimes almost fails; and they contemplate the increasing infirmities of age, aggravated by

poverty, with a depression and solicitude which none can understand nor imagine but they who know them by experience."

Within a few years, provision has been made by a large body of the Orthodox Independents of England, for the retirement of such aged and infirm ministers.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL B. SCHIEFFELIN,

June 8th, 1863.

Chairman.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to the election of the Board of Direction of the Corporation. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were chosen : Mr. William B. Crosby, *President* ; Rev. M. S. Hutton, Messrs. Peter R. Warner, and John Van Nest, *Directors*, and Mr. John I. Brower, *Treasurer*.

ARTICLE V.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The following Report of Rev. W. V. V. Mabon, Delegate of the General Synod to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

To the President of General Synod :

The undersigned, as Delegate of General Synod, attended the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at its session held at Peoria, Illinois, May 21st, 1863.

The delegate tendered to the venerable body, to which he was commissioned, the cordial salutations of the Reformed Dutch Church, which were reciprocated in the most affectionate spirit by the Moderator of the General Assembly.

The Delegate remained six days, awaiting the action of the General Assembly touching the resolution of General Synod, contained in Minutes of 1862, page 140.

The General Assembly has declined to inaugurate any change in the method of conducting the correspondence; while, at the same time, it will not refuse to accede to the change proposed if distinctly desired by the General Synod.

The Assembly appointed the Rev. George Junkin, D.D., as their Commissioner to the General Synod, and assign to him their formal answer to the minute referred to on page 140.

The undersigned may be permitted to say, that the dignified and affectionate course of the General Assembly, and the importance of the whole subject, are worthy of the high consideration of the General Synod.

NEW YORK, June 1st, 1863.

WM. V. V. MABON.

Rev. Mr. Mabon also appeared in Synod and made explanations of his report and additional statements.

Rev. George Junkin, D.D. LL.D., of the Presbyterian Church, appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a corresponding delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States.

A letter was received from the Synod of South Africa, and also a copy of the minutes of its proceedings, which were referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

The following Report was received from Rev. H. D. Ganse, Commissioner to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S.), and referred to the Committee on Correspondence :

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

The undersigned having been appointed by the General Synod, at its last session, a Commissioner to present to the New School General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church the Synod's proposal of a yearly interchange of kind expressions between the two bodies, respectfully reports that he discharged that duty. Before his visit to the General Assembly, he had been made aware that a large proportion of its members regarded some features of the Synod's action as wanting in courtesy toward their own body ; and upon his arrival in Philadelphia he was convinced that this misconception of the Synod's meaning was even more extensive than he had been led to believe. Under these circumstances he felt it his duty, in addressing the Assembly, to set the action of the Synod in its true light, and he is happy to bear testimony to the candor and kindness with which his statements were received. The Synod, however, will possibly agree with him in considering that the mere letter of last year's action may bear a sense not consistent with a proposal of courteous intercourse. These equivocal expressions, moreover, stand upon our printed minutes, unaccompanied by the explanations which your Commissioner made to the Assembly. For this reason, as he believes, and not from any general distrust of the true kindness and courtesy of the Synod, the evident and strong disposition of the Assembly to accept the proposal as it was made, gave way to the action which the Commissioner of the Assembly will report to the Synod. In that action, as will appear, the Assembly, while declining the proposal of the Synod on account of the terms in which it is couched, renews a proposal of similar import in its own terms. If the Synod shall see fit to accept this proposal of the General Assembly, it will, by so doing, extend to that body the exact measure of respect and kindness which the Old School Assembly already extends to it, and without compromising any feature of our own doctrinal system, or endorsing any other, will lend

effectual help in allaying heart-burnings and jealousies which have estranged Christ's servants for a quarter of a century.

Respectfully submitted,

NEW YORK, *June 6th*, 1863.

H. D. GANSE.

Rev. Thomas H. Skinner, D.D., appeared in the Synod as a Commissioner from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S.), and presented the following action of the Assembly in regard to the opening of a correspondence with this Synod :

The Assembly, after considering the kind and earnest address of Mr. Ganse, and considering also the printed Minutes of the Acts and Proceedings of said General Synod (see pages 131 to 140, inclusive, especially the resolution and its preamble, page 140), feel with Christian and Catholic regret constrained in righteousness and truth to decline the special overture made to us, but that we hereby cordially offer correspondence with them on the same terms on which we correspond with other ecclesiastical bodies; and we appoint Rev. Thomas H. Skinner, D.D., a Commissioner to attend the next meeting of their General Synod.

It was resolved that this subject be referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

It was resolved that it be referred to the Committee on Correspondence to report as to the propriety of reopening correspondence with the German Reformed Church.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Correspondence beg leave to report :

That the papers which have come into their hands evince the pleasing truth, that among the different branches of the reformed family in Christ, in our land, as represented in the Presbyterian form of government, there is manifested a desire to come more closely together, that they may better know and more sincerely love each other. As Jesus prayed for his disciples that they may all be one, we rejoice in every manifestation of the spirit of Christian love, which brings the different divisions of the Church of God into more intimate relations, and strengthens the bonds of a common brotherhood in Christ. Your Committee feel that this Synod, partaking in the same spirit, is not prepared to loosen any of the ties that bind her to kindred bodies, but is rather ready to reciprocate all that Christian courtesy, and fraternal love, which have been borne to her by the representatives of other Churches.

The Delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church,

which lately met at Peoria, Illinois, reports that he attended the sessions of that body, and presented the suggestions of the General Synod, that the correspondence between the two bodies be hereafter carried on by letter instead of by delegates. The venerable assembly declined to inaugurate the change proposed, and immediately commissioned Rev. George Junkin, D.D., to bear the Christian greetings of the Assembly to this Synod. The Commissioner has subsequently appeared before this body, and has so strongly set forth the benefits of the present system of intercourse, that your Committee feel confident that this Synod is not willing on light considerations to terminate, or even modify the relation that has so long existed between the two bodies. It is, therefore, recommended that the Synod continue the correspondence as heretofore, by choosing a delegate to attend the next meeting of that body.

The Delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, which lately met in Philadelphia, reports that he attended the session of that body, and presented the proposal of the General Synod for the yearly interchange of Christian courtesies by letter. This, the Assembly decline to accept; and in its place cordially offer correspondence with us on the same terms on which they correspond with other ecclesiastical bodies; and themselves, in the true spirit of this offer, have taken the initiative, and deputed the Rev. Thomas H. Skinner, D.D., as their representative to this Synod. The Synod have already had the pleasure of receiving him before them, and of listening to the expression of the kind regards which he bears to us from the venerable body which he represents, and the terms on which they offer correspondence with us. And your Committee recommend that this Synod accept the proposals made by the Commissioner, in the fullness of that Christian spirit in which it is offered, and send a delegate to bear the fraternal salutations of this body to the next meeting of the General Assembly.

On the subject of renewing our correspondence with the Synod of the German Reformed Church, the Committee feel that such result would in many respects be desirable. That venerable formulary of our Church, the Heidelberg Catechism, constitutes in itself a bond of union which no ecclesiastical action can wholly sever. If over it estrangements arise, they cannot endure, and your Committee feel that the time must soon come when this branch of the great reformed sisterhood must and will receive the cordial embraces of the whole family in Christ, and participate with them in the regular interchange of Christian sympathy and affection. To our Synod it belongs to take the initiative in this matter. We first sought the correspondence, which was formerly maintained between the two bodies, and against their most earnest protestations, it was terminated by the vote of our Synod. The Committee would, therefore, recommend that a delegate be appointed to attend the next meeting of the Synod of the German Reformed Church, with a view to reöpen friendly correspondence with that body.

As the Report of the Board of Foreign Missions on the subject of a correspondence with the Reformed Church of France, which has been put into the hands of this Committee, states that there is no body claiming to represent such a church, no action in the case is called for.

The Committee have in hand the Minutes of a Synodical meeting of a Reformed Dutch Church held at Reddersburg, in South Africa, on March 20th, 1862, consisting of two clergymen, the elders and deacons of one Church in the Republic of the Orange Vry-Staat; of three Churches in the Cape Colony, and six representatives of the Church from the South African Republic; with a letter expressing their adhesion to the faith of our fathers, found in our thirty-seven articles of faith, the Heidelberg Catechism and Canons of Dort.

They say: in 1857 the Synod of the Reformed Free Church in the Netherlands, did send Domine Postma as a missionary to aid the destitute Churches of South Africa. He soon found that the Old Reformed Church was corrupted by rationalism and hierarchy, that many in this state of things were separating themselves from the body, which separation was consummated by the arrival of Domine Postma, and was on the increase, especially since the development of the character of the Old Church in her last Synod.

Further, they invite this Synod to communion, prayer, and sympathy, so much needed on account of the contempt and oppression they suffer for thus holding up the faith of the Reformation.

In relation to these documents, your Committee cannot believe that the persons composing that body represent all the faith and piety of the South African Church; and in the absence of any proper evidence that their separation was justified by the circumstances in which they were placed—they recommend no action at present on the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WM. REILEY, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That in pursuance of the recommendations of the above Report, this Synod appoint delegates to both the General Assemblies of the Presbyterian Church, and to the Synod of the German Reformed Church.

Rev. David D. Demarest was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (O. S.), and Rev. Abraham R. Van Nest, *Secundus*.

Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (N. S.), and Rev. Isaac N. Wyckoff, *Secundus*.

Rev. Giles H. Mandeville was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the Synod of the German Reformed Church, and Rev. Ezra W. Collier, *Secundus*.

ARTICLE VI.

SYNODICAL REPORT.

The Committee on the State of Religion presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on the State of Religion respectfully report.

That it is with more than ordinary satisfaction that they perform the duty allotted to them, of making a brief representation of the condition and prospects of our Church. Seldom has this venerable body assembled under more auspicious circumstances, as regards the present state, and the future promise of the denomination under their immediate supervision and guidance. After traversing the reports of the various Classes with some attention, and listening to the documentary testimonies and statistics of the secretaries of our permanent Boards, your Committee are impressed with a prevailing sentiment of joy and satisfaction, and they are constrained to make grateful mention of the kindness and favor of the Great Head of the Church towards us as a branch of His common heritage. It is true that we are met together under the shadow of public calamity. The dark cloud of civil war continues to brood over us, and we live amidst the distractions and perturbations incident to the unsettled and uncertain state of our public affairs. But this consideration enables us to appreciate the more distinguished favor of our heavenly Father, in the comparative prosperity of our religious state. Our fears have not been realized. We thought at the commencement of the present unparalleled struggle in our country, that our religious foundations would be shaken and subverted by the shock of arms and the tumult of civil conflict. We expected that the tender blossoms of piety and the precious fruits of Christian benevolence would perish under the tempest of human passion and the fury of public disorder and rebellion. We feared that our Churches might be rent asunder by divided opinions, our resources of benevolence be swallowed up in the vast consumption and waste of war, and our spirituality be lost and dissipated in the incessant distractions and disturbances of our outward condition. But none of these calamities have actually occurred, or at least, only to a very partial and limited extent. Our Church still stands, and not only stands, but gives signs of unwonted life and movement.

At no period in her history has she presented more deeds or indications of a new purpose and effort of development and progress. One after another our secretaries appear and report an extinguished debt, and an unembarrassed treasury, while in the department of Educational Endowment we see a vigorous and most promising movement that bids fair to place our College upon a liberal and prosperous foundation. If we look, moreover, at the interior state of

our Churches, there is more than usual to encourage and to cheer us. With here and there an exception, harmony prevails, unbroken by the agitations of the times; and although no general revival of religion has occurred, yet in most of the Classes one or more Churches report special interest and larger accessions than usual; so that the *spiritual* state of the Churches is not worse, as we apprehended, but for the most part better than is usual in a time of peace and a more propitious outward state. And what shall we say to all these things! Shall we not say, with heartfelt acknowledgment and deeply penetrated minds, *It is the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes*. Shall we not be prompted to the feeling and expression of a profound gratitude to our covenant God, who has not only preserved us from the evil that we feared, but enriched us with the good that we had not the faith to expect.

We say not that there are not shadows upon this picture, serious blemishes upon the fair aspect of the Church, phases of depression, indifference and spiritual sloth upon different parts of our religious heritage; but while these appearances are considerably less than usual, the features of promise and of incipient movement are too conspicuous to be overlooked. The long apathy and inaction that have lain upon the Church have been broken up, and she seems about to start upon a career of expansion and vigorous life. We trust that these appearances will not prove deceptive, and that there will be no discouraging recoil from this forward impulse. Oh! for a divine mordant to fix these brilliant colors of hope! Oh! for some heavenly art to render permanent these features of opening promise and expectation! Oh! for the Spirit of the Lord to deepen and to establish this regenerative work throughout the whole extent of our religious domain. The Dutch Church has a noble pedigree, a historical origin and genealogy that command the profound respect and admiration of all who love the martyr-spirit of religion and of liberty; and in being transferred to this country, she has come to a congenial soil, and within the sphere of institutions in harmony with her own innate genius and character. Why should she not grow? Why should she not expand indefinitely and become a leading religious power in the land? She cannot, indeed, ignore her foreign origin. She cannot even divest herself of her *foreign name*. That name is the symbol of her distinctiveness, the memento of her history, the warrant of her orthodoxy, and the bond to multitudes of the most sacred memories and associations. But although in these respects she possesses a stable and unalterable character, she is capable of a wise adaptation to our American society and institutions. She is American in her intense love of constitutional liberty and order, in her ardent patriotism, and in her calm and steady assertion of human rights in opposition to injustice and prescriptive tyranny. Having these capital features of congeniality with republican institutions, illustrated and emblazoned in all her splendid history, why may she not carry her religious order, her scriptural faith, and her

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evangelical forms successfully into every part of the land! Let her reject all artificial exclusiveness, all unreasonable restrictions, all petty jealousies, and selfish and limited aims. Let her support friendly and cordial relations to other kindred denominations, mutually imparting and receiving interchanges of religious offices, and even of the ministry itself, where Providence may so direct, without surrendering her own constitution and order, and finally, adhering to what is substantial and vital, and being nobly indifferent to what is clearly secondary and unimportant; let her pursue her grand evangelical mission in this broad land of religious freedom, and various and expanding population; and what is to hinder her indefinite extension and progress? Why may she not *send out her boughs unto the sea and her branches unto the river*? Why may she not fill the land with the precious fruits and trophies of her spiritual power?

The Committee recommend the following resolutions as an appropriate expression of sentiment at the present time:

Resolved, 1. That our profoundest gratitude is due to our covenant God and Saviour for the preservation of our Church in a genial harmony and peace amidst the distractions and perils of the times, and also, for the decided aspect of progress and prospective enlargement which it appears to present.

2. That we have the fullest encouragement to hope from present appearances, that our Church is about to assume a new character of energy and enterprise, and that it is incumbent upon us to exercise all Christian fidelity and zeal, that there may be no relapse into inaction, but a progressive realization through the blessing of almighty God, of our highest expectations and behests concerning her prosperity and growth.

We only add the usual statement of ministerial mortality. The following names have disappeared from our earthly registers and have found, we trust, a joyful record on high: the Rev. Messrs. Robert A. Quin, Charles Knouse, Peter Allen, M. A. Ypma, Jared L. Starks, Charles Jukes, Geo. W. Bethune, John C. Guldin, and Cornelius Gates.

These are some of them eminent names throughout the entire Church, and all of them have doubtless a fragrant remembrance in their own local relations. We record them with a pensive feeling of desirousness and regret; but we remember that He who endowed them with their graces and their gifts, possesses the residue of the Spirit to qualify others to enter the field they have quitted, and to take up the unfinished labors of Christian beneficence. *The fathers where are they, and the prophets? do they live forever? But the Lord liveth, and blessed be our Rock; and let the God of our salvation be exalted.*

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHAS. WILEY, *Chairman.*

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & E. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Par- poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate												
1st Church.....	R. W. Clark.....	260	13	14	7	.....	7	736	12	1	130	150	915	\$2,709 87	\$17,000 00	Albany, N. Y.
2d do.....	L. N. Wyckoff.....	165	7	11	10	.....	6	408	19	.....	175	40	169	2,172 89	3,250 00	do
3d do.....	Vacant.....	72	18	9	12	.....	.....	105	8	5	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,450 00	do
4th do.....	H. Schnellendreusser.....	13	5	2	2	4	1	39	12	.....	25	25	51	115 33	172 68	do
Bethlehem.....	J. Simonson.....	150	4	1	.....	.....	3	270	8	.....	54	40	100	222 00	1,123 00	do
2d do.....	J. L. Pearce.....	85	1	.....	4	.....	3	113	.....	.....	50	70	90	244 17	1,321 00	do
Jerusalem.....	A. V. Gulick.....	82	.....	.....	.....	.....	1	79	5	.....	40	22	45	93 10	664 00	Fearabush,
Union.....	do.....	40	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	32	1	.....	16	12	80	25	260 00	do
Coeymans.....	L. Collier.....	50	3	2	.....	.....	1	101	10	.....	.....	35	90	86 75	402 00	Coeymans,
New Baltimore.....	R. G. Strong.....	78	5	1	.....	.....	3	105	2	4	25	40	80	190 23	531 41	New Baltimore,
New Salem.....	H. Slauson.....	109	.....	4	.....	.....	1	193	9	.....	.....	53	59	17 19	543 53	New Salem,
Clarkville *.....	do.....	35	.....	1	.....	.....	1	33	.....	.....	.....	12	40	2 00	87 00	Clarkville,
Westerlo.....	P. Furbeck.....	80	9	5	1	.....	1	115	6	1	24	59	50	13 61	545 00	Westerlo,
Onisquethaw.....	S. Van Santvoord.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	New Baltimore,
Holland.....	W. A. Hubolt.....	42	8	3	3	.....	3	63	8	.....	32	17	.....	39 00	400 00	Albany,
2d Berne†.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	East Berne,
Total.....	Total.....	1292	62	52	39	5	83	2246	106	11	571	566	1009	\$5,981 18	\$95,139 03	

* Supplied H. Slauson. † Supplied by J. G. Cordell. Ministers without Charge.—J. Van Vleeten, J. P. Pepper.

CLASSIS OF ARCOT IN INDIA.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census		Members in Communion per last Report	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			S. Schools		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families	Total of the Congregation		Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Number of Parochial Schools	Total Number of Scholars	Average Number of Scholars		Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
Ref. Dutch Church, Arcot..	A. Sawyer	27	141	38	8	16	14	2	46	6	7	24	1	28	17	151..	6. 6	.....	Arcot
" " " " " "	S. D. Scudder	28	124	13	3	10	..	1	26	5	8	3	3	64	58	507.	0. 0	.....	Palamanah
" " " " " "	J. W. Scudder	47	154	56	1	5	6	1	55	5	3	44	3	3	63	574.	0. 0	.....	Chittoor
" " " " " "	Coonoor	88	139	48	7	2	5	8*	51	11	3	38	1	18	16	616..	1. 1	.....	In America
" " " " " "	Joseph Scudder	67	255	50	8	13	13	2	56	17	4	11	3	78	68	468..	18. 6	.....	Vellore
" " " " " "	E. C. Scudder, (S. C.)	10	39	11	2	..	..	1	1	1	2	3	1	8	6	278..	8. 6	.....	Palamanah
" " " " " "	J. Chamberlain	10	39	11	2	..	..	1	1	1	1	3	1	8	6	278..	8. 6	.....	Palamanah
Total.....		217	843	216	29	46	38	6	5	245	43	21	93	12	259	78	2590..	12. 7	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. H. M. Scudder, D.D., stated supply at Coonoor. Rev. W. W. Scudder, at Vellore. Rev. J. Mayon, at Gingee. Rev. John Scudder, at Chittoor. The Rev. W. W. Scudder, had charge of the Vellore Church till October, and the Rev. E. C. Scudder, had charge of the Chittoor Church up to the same time.

* Two Restored.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
English Neighborhood.....	Andrew B. Taylor.....	2										1	2
1st Hackensack.....	Alex. H. Warner, (S.C.).....	20	3	.....	3	.....	4	119	9	.....	70	40	80	302 00	.....	Hackensack, Bergen Co., "
Schraalenburgh.....	William R. Gordon.....	155	9	2	.....	8	8	209	10	.....	150	20	100	.....	.....	Schraalenburgh, " "
New Durham.....	William V. V. Mabon.....	100	4	1	.....	.....	.....	127	18	2	150	20	200	201 00	.....	New Durham, Hudson "
1st Hoboken.....	Matthew B. Riddle.....	82	8	2	.....	.....	.....	86	8	1	40	20	35	55 00	\$200 00	Hoboken, N. J.
3d Jersey City.....	Vacant.....	185	1	20	9	.....	1	140	8	2	50	150	240	470 00	2,792 00	Hoboken, N. J.
German, North Bergen.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Jersey City, N. J.
2d Hackensack.....	James Demarest, Jr.....	70	2	6	2	2	2	81	4	.....	175	180	160	532 00	1,600 00	Hackensack, Bergen Co., N. J.
German Hoboken.....	Leopold Mohr.....	15	25	9	.....	.....	.....	107	45	.....	13	60	150	30 00	.....	Hoboken, N. J.
German Hackensack.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Closter City.....	E. S. Hammond, Miss'y	35	14	10	.....	.....	1	28	.....	1	30	.....	50	.....	2,600 00	U. Closter, Bergen Co., N. J.
Total.....	Total.....	702	67	53	26	13	13	918	97	6	528	484	1045	\$1,719 00	\$7,792 00	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Richard D. Van Kleek, William Wolf, Alvan Ostrom and James H. Ballagh, Foreign Missionaries.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
Bergen.....	Benjamin C. Taylor....	285	10	8	5	1	6	396	30	2	188	173	345	\$1,430 00	\$1,000 00	Hudson, Hudson Co., N. J.
Belleville.....	Peter A. Studdford....	112	9	8	2	...	2	177	7	...	100	90	170	261 75	2,767 25	Belleville, Essex Co., "
1st Jersey City.....	Vacant.....	90	2	3	4	...	2	137	8	2	100	80	90	1,018 23	...	Jersey City, Hud. Co., "
Bergen Neck.....	Aaron L. Stillwell....	50	1	1	3	...	1	62	3	...	25	30	80	300 00	...	Salterville, "
1st Newark.....	Edward P. Terhune....	300	15	11	5	7	405	13	18	7	214	119	320	532 63	3,437 84	Newark, Essex Co., "
Irvington.....	Henry Vehslage, Jr....	79	7	15	7	...	...	98	5	3	95	84	118	133 00	...	Irvington, Essex Co., "
1st Van Vorst.....	Paul D. Van Cleef, (S.C.)	155	7	12	11	...	3	270	22	1	130	130	135	9,144 22	3,279 24	Jersey City, Hud. Co., "
2d Newark.....	Gustavus Abeel.....	110	1	4	12	...	3	219	9	1	150	150	300	310 87	1,750 60	Newark, Essex Co., "
Bergen Point.....	H. W. F. Jones.....	50	3	1	...	...	...	63	11	...	39	30	53	290 00	...	Bergen Point, Hud. Co., N. J.
Franklin.....	John S. Lott.....	57	3	...	3	1	...	52	9	...	111	68	80	155 79	574 33	Franklin, Essex Co., "
German, Jersey City.	C. Doepfenschmidt....	63	3	2	...	...	45	6	6	1	100	235	325	814 53	951 63	Jersey City, Hud. Co., "
North, Newark.....	Vacant.....	170	1	3	2	...	9	192	6	1	100	235	325	814 53	1,744 11	Newark.
2d Hud. City, German.	.....	36	6	7	1	...	2	36	6	...	2	17	50	4 30	69 98	.....
Total.....	Total.....	1539	63	48	55	9	98	2077	128	16	1265	1226	1176	\$7,719 96	\$18,503 64	.....

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. M. Lusk, John L. Chapman, James M. Bruen, R. B. Campfield, Harbrouck Du Bois. Candidates.—Henry R. Lott.

CLASSIS OF CAYUGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
		Census	Number of Families	Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average		Religious and Bene-volent Purposes	Congressional Par-poses
Canastota.....	Wm. A. Warts*	40	4	2	1	...	1	44	4	...	...	...	...	\$175 00	\$600 00	Canastota, N. Y.
Chittenango.....	Jas. R. Talmadge.....	80	...	...	...	...	1	78	2	...	...	...	...	...	1024 00	Chittenango, "
Cleero.....	Vacant.....	28	...	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Cleero, "
Lyander.....	E. V. Van Vranken.....	46	15	1	...	...	2	50	...	3	...	...	...	35	43 32	Lyander, "
Naumburg.....	Charles Becker.....	35	9	...	...	...	2	112	6	...	...	...	...	20	...	Naumburg, "
New Bremen.....	do.....	23	...	...	...	...	...	57	2	...	2	...	...	5	...	Naumburg, "
Owasco.....	Wilson Ingalls.....	165	2	1	4	...	5	143	2	1	...	...	...	30	43	Owasco, "
Owasco Outlet.....	John Garretson.....	67	4	1	7	...	3	91	1	2	75	70	...	76 83	926 72	Owasco, "
Syracuse.....	J. Elmendorf.....	112	1	4	...	...	1	127	3	...	95	95	100	747 83	2522 12	Syracuse, "
Thousand Isles.....	Geo. Rockwell†.....	75	...	...	...	...	...	91	2	...	25	25	75	15 00	250 00	Alexandria, "
Utica.....	A. G. Vermilye*.....	72	...	1	...	...	...	95	3	...	...	4	70	610 00	...	Utica, "
West Leyden.....	John M. Wagner†.....	42	16	1	2	...	...	64	3	...	35	26	36	25 80	205 25	West Leyden, "
	Total.....	715	51	11	20	2	16	914	28	5	138	368	727	1,741 91	7,763 09	

* Pastor Elect. † Missionary. ‡ Stated supply.
 Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Wm. J. Bradford, Marathon, N. Y.; John N. Powell, James Abell, Chittenango, N. Y.
 Missionaries to Japan.—Rev. S. R. Brown, G. P. Verbeck.

CLASSIS OF GENEVA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Census	Number of Families	On Confession	Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Lodi.....	G. J. Van Neste, S. C..	135		8	6	5	...	5	929	6	1	60	\$356 84	\$904 72	Lodi, N. Y.
Farmer.....	B. Basher.....	100		8	4	...	...	2	157	8	2	25	290 78	1,035 00	Farmer, "
Geneva.....	C. Wiley.....	100		8	...	...	...	1	183	8	1	75	405 13	1,500 00	Geneva, "
Ithaca.....	Vacant.....	104		8	...	8	...	1	149	2	1	60	344 26	1,592 80	Ithaca, "
Arcadia.....	W. E. Turner.....	80		4	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	620 00	620 00	Arcadia, "
Tyre.....	J. R. Van Arsdale.....	90		1	...	...	...	2	76	1	...	15	75 00	450 00	Mages Corners, "
Caroline.....	J. Whitbeck.....	40		...	1	...	...	1	45	1	...	15	86 00	200 00	Slaterville, "
Walcott.....	T. G. Watson.....	43		29	1	3	...	...	70	13	11	85	20 00	840 00	Fair Haven, "
Waterloo.....	Vacant.....	...		...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Waterloo, "
Buffalo.....	A. K. Kase.....	30		...	5	2	...	...	60	8	88	...	...	625 00	Buffalo, Box 2145, "
Pulneyville.....	A. B. Veenhuizen, S. S.	130		7	9	...	...	...	255	85	60	...	20 00	487 00	East Williamson, "
Rochester.....	W. C. Wust.....	129		2	6	7	1	...	311	81	55	...	64 93	1,324 64	Rochester, Bx. 2304, "
Clymer.....	J. W. Dunnewold.....	153		1	1	2	...	2	97	9	...	54	32 00	900 00	Clymer, "
Mina Corners.....	do.....	25		8	...	...	...	...	52	10	...	40	9 00	150 00	Mina Corners, "
Cato.....	T. G. Watson.....	23		5	3	...	...	...	31	2	2	25	20 00	300 00	Cato, "
Athens.....	A. P. Todd.....	40		15	4	2	...	1	100	2	8	30	107 92	8,600 00	Athens, Penn., "
Total.....		1092	75	75	47	35	1	15	1844	125	97	495	\$1,736 89	\$13,149 16	

* Report of last year. † No report. Ministers without Charge.—Rev. John L. Bee, Cor. Sec'y of the Board of Education, 109 Fulton Street, N. Y., and Rev. A. G. Mow, Oaks Corners, N. Y.; Rev. E. W. Knight, Pulneyville, N. Y., and Rev. J. Beattie, Lockport N. Y., Emeriti.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants						Bap.		C. & E. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Census	Number of Families	Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
1st Church of Athens	C. Spaulding.....	70	2	4	4	1	107	...	1	20	80	40	\$450 00	\$337 89	Athens, N. Y.
2d do	do.....	30	...	...	...	1	41	3	...	20	...	30	...	500 00	do
Catskill	J. A. Lansing.....	280	4	14	4	5	306	11	1	250	100	815	537 73	1,641 00	Catskill, "
1st Ch. Coxsackie...	S. P. M. Hastings...	187	2	...	...	7	205	2	2	60	50	100	213 72	1,186 00	Coxsackie, "
2d do	F. N. Zabriskie.....	180	1	5	2	2	199	10	125	140	180	180	651 43	1,267 68	do
Kiskatom	C. Rockwell.....	90	13	...	...	1	162	4	4	80	80	70	180 00	750 00	Kiskatom, "
Leeds	S. T. Searle, S. O.	95	2	3	5	1	126	2	1	30	25	100	162 35	750 00	Leeds, "
Moresville and S.	Vacant.....	46	...	...	...	2	56	...	...	...	...	60	189 00	400 00	Moresville, "
Prattsville	A. F. Gilbert.....	95	4	3	...	1	102	3	2	...	...	115	174 00	1,544 00	Prattsville, "
Roxbury	J. K. Rhinehart.....	70	...	4	...	1	72	...	...	15	20	83	44 50	520 00	Roxbury, "
Total...	Total...	1043	27	29	21	23	1566	36	11	600	395	1013	\$2,252 63	\$9,397 84	

Ministers without Charge.—Wm. Johns, Hesseville; W. D. Bucklew, Moresville; R. B. Webb, Jonesville, Saratoga co., N. Y.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants							Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses	
Drenthe	R. Pieters	38	7	8	...	...	...	9	87	8	...	60	...	...	\$147 14	\$579 85	Zeeland, Ottawa co., Mich.
Grand Rapids	C. Van der Meulen ..	145	13	14	11	5	18	150	61	...	...	150	...	125	534 43	1,657 43	Grand Rapids, Kent co., Mich.
Grand Haven	C. Van der Veen	100	8	2	1	...	...	8	183	45	...	100	...	...	400 00	950 00	Grand Haven, Ottawa co., "
*Grandville	Vacant	30	...	...	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Grandville, Kent co., "
Graafschap	R. Pieters	26	16	...	9	...	...	1	56	7	...	37	...	...	29 65	200 00	Holland, Ottawa co., "
Holland	A. C. Van Raalte	168	14	16	...	...	...	9	365	85	1	150	...	160	1,176 17	1,400 00	" " "
Kalamazoo	Vacant	53	13	1	13	8	1	145	13	...	...	63	...	69	484 89	403 70	Kalamazoo, Mich.
*Muskegon	Vacant	19	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Muskegon, "
Noord Holland	Vacant	17	...	5	...	...	...	1	27	11	...	14	...	...	20 98	44 00	Holland, Ottawa co., Mich.
*Noordeloos	Vacant	22	...	...	...	...	...	...	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
Overijssel	G. J. Nijkerk	80	3	9	1	...	4	217	15	...	...	90	...	50	164 53	320 19	Overijssel, Allegany "
*Pella	P. J. Oggel	968	...	...	...	...	...	...	580	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Pella, Marion co., Iowa.
Polkton	Vacant	53	...	...	...	...	...	...	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Eastmanville, Mich.
Vriesland	A. Zwemer, S. O.	50	2	1	2	1	9	143	20	1	90	...	...	...	181 60	587 90	Zeeland, Ottawa co., Mich.
Zeeland	H. Stobbelaar	159	5	14	2	1	1	186	23	...	...	105	...	...	605 00	620 00	" "
Total		1232	76	56	43	10	89	2079	288	2	991	...	...	494	\$3,707 53	\$6,768 07	

* Last year's report. Ministers without charge.—Rev. Philip Phelps, Principal of Holland Academy, and Missionary Pastor, Holland, Ottawa co., Mich.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd	On Confession	Dis-missed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev-olent Purposes		Congregational Pur-poses
Hudson.....	David D. Demarest, (S. C.)...	140	6	2	2	2	2	213	3	4	100	...	200	\$1,234 61	\$2,250 00	Hudson New York.
1st Claverack.....	Acmon P. Van Gieson.....	200	2	2	2	2	2	319	4	4	100	35	140	267 70	.....	Claverack, "
2d Claverack.....	Arad J. Sebring.....	100	1	1	1	1	1	84	1	1	100	...	150	30 00	1,160 00	Melville, "
Linthgow	Charles J. Shepard.....	160	3	2	2	2	2	223	7	1	30	85	170	86 10	7,887 75	Livingson, "
Upper Red Hook.....	John G. Johnson.....	60	11	3	...	...	...	95	4	1	...	60	...	62 00	700 00	Upper Red Hook, N. Y.
German town.....	Hervey R. Schemerhorn.....	70	1	2	...	...	...	137	13	...	...	40	...	40 00	850 00	German town, "
Greenport	John S. Himrod.....	80	2	1	1	1	1	123	14	8	...	40	100	200 00	900 00	Hudson, "
Taghkanic.....	William Lyall.....	80	2	1	1	1	1	97	6	...	40	18	75	41 83	640 00	Copake, "
	Total.....	900	40	17	13	9	19	1296	52	9	270	183	885	\$1,962 39	\$13,887 75	

Minister without Charge.—Hermes W. Fitch, Whitehall, New York.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Fairview.....	J. S. Jorlmon, S. C.	124	16	4	8	1	2	186	14	2	80	100	186	.....	Fairview, Fulton Co., Ill.
Pekin.....	U. D. Gulick.....	163	6	6	7	.....	7	70	17	1	50	40	182	.....	Pekin, Tazewell Co., Ill.
Van Derveer.....	S. B. Ayres, S. S.	18	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	.....	50	.....	Pleasant Plains, Sang'm'n Co., Ill.
Burlington.....	Vacant.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	Burlington, Iowa.
Spring Lake.....	".....	21	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	Manito, Ill.
Maritan.....	S. A. Bunstead, S. S.	50	4	4	.....	.....	1	79	6	2	25	24	79	.....	Maritan, Henderson Co., Ill.
Bushnell.....	E. P. Livingston.....	40	1	6	5	.....	2	53	2	.....	.....	.....	75	.....	Bushnell, McHenry Co., Ill.
Keokuk.....	J. Baay.....	14	2	2	4	1	1	12	2	.....	20	12	75	.....	Keokuk, Iowa.
Davenport.....	C. G. Van Derveer.....	25	2	2	.....	.....	.....	85	2	.....	50	.....	90	.....	Davenport, Iowa.
Whitehall.....	Vacant.....	12	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	.....	.....	103	.....	Whitehall, Ill.
2nd Pella.....	A. Thompson.....	25	5	20	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	103	.....	Pella, Iowa.
Total.....		414	34	42	24	2	14	560	43	5	225	211	825	.....

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. D. Wilson, Fairview, Ill.; J. F. Morris, Bushnell, Ill.; C. D. Ewins, Maritan, Ill.; A. Lloyd, New York City.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
		Census Number of Families	Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
			On Confession	On Certificate												
Bloomingdale.....	Vacant	53	...	4	...	...	1	98	4	...	75	30	50	\$25 50	\$251 18	Creek Locks, N. Y.
Clove.....	J. N. Voorhies.....	150	8	...	8	...	1	117	8	...	15	30	133	84 98	500 00	High Falls,
Dashville Falls.....	J. Markle.....	48	8	2	...	...	...	87	5	...	15	...	85	12 90	303 00	Rifton Glen,
Gaillard.....	J. N. Jansen.....	100	2	5	3	...	...	95	...	...	25	15	100	807 62	844 47	Tubill,
Hurley.....	E. C. Lippincott.....	70	4	...	...	1	...	127	5	3	...	...	150	187 80	600 00	Hurley,
Ed Ch. Kingston.....	J. A. Collier.....	96	9	6	3	...	3	163	6	1	75	85	116	326 05	4,066 64	Kingston,
Marbletown.....	J. L. McNair.....	178	4	9	3	...	3	227	10	1	...	40	100	619 46	1,023 62	Stone Ridge,
New Falls.....	C. H. Sutt.....	240	13	6	3	...	6	849	24	3	243	253	450	693 30	1,000 00	New Falls,
N. Marbletown.....	B. C. Lippincott, S. S.....	90	11	2	...	...	1	103	5	2	...	12	60	36 25	500 00	Hurley,
Rochester.....	C. Wyckoff.....	150	7	3	3	...	3	209	21	...	95	70	130	49 45	586 60	Accord,
Rosendale.....	Vacant.....	51	3	4	4	...	1	63	3	...	...	...	20	73 05	544 74	Rosendale,
Sansomville.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sansomville,
Total.....	Total.....	1226	64	41	22	1	22	1590	95	12	528	635	1414	\$2,420 71	\$10,675 25	"

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. W. A. Shaw, Kingston; Rev. J. R. Lentz, Creek Locks, N. Y., Stated Supply, Willick, Missionary Station.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Brooklyn.....	A. A. Willits.....	220	18	23	4	...	6	325	12	4	250	250	\$2,310 83	\$4,000 00	Brooklyn, L. I.
Flatbush.....	Cornelius L. Wells.....	112	9	1	1	...	3	124	4	4	...	200	1,368 10	...	Flatbush, "
New Utrecht.....	R. Ormiston Currie.....	185	5	3	2	...	4	189	18	...	...	165	...	...	New Utrecht, L. I.
Gravesend.....	Maurice G. Hansen.....	95	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	75	819 29	3,583 00	Gravesend, "
Flatlands.....	T. Sanford Doollittle.....	70	2	2	2	...	...	107	13	...	...	120	215 00	2,425 00	Flatlands, "
New Lots.....	J. M. Van Buren.....	60	...	...	...	...	...	95	4	...	...	10	813 40	...	East New York, L. I.
East New York.....	Anson F. Munn.....	60	5	3	1	...	4	107	6	...	...	40	450 00	1,600 00	do. do.
South Brooklyn.....	J. H. Manning.....	46	3	1	...	...	1	88	7	...	...	150	137 50	1,157 73	do. do.
East Brooklyn.....	N. E. Pierce.....	245	31	16	13	10	532	24	8	275	...	86	1,900 00	8,500 00	do. do.
Middle Brooklyn.....	A. Elmendorf.....	80	8	7	...	...	4	124	9	...	...	150	...	...	do. do.
North Brooklyn.....	N. P. Pierce.....	200	14	34	17	2	4	433	17	5	961	306	1,762 44	3,953 06	do. do.
Church on the Heights.....	James Ellis.....	203	10	17	25	...	4	863	8	...	162	332	5,296 25	27,996 90	do. do.
New Brooklyn.....	C. Dickhaut.....	30	20	...	...	...	1	86	24	...	36	30	90 00	439 02	East Brooklyn, "
East Brooklyn.....	J. West, (S. C.).....	64	10	...	5	...	...	133	1	...	125	100	495 51	2,392 12	Brooklyn, "
Total.....		1575	127	116	75	3	41	2503	157	19	1022	1071	\$14,593 32	\$53,898 82	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. J. Labagh, Rev. Julius Hones. Rev. Daniel Rapallo, Missionary in China.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
				Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools.—Average		Religious and Benev-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses
First Freehold.....	Ralph Willis.....	90	3	1	1	.....	156	8	1	50	50	90	.....	.....	Marlboro', N. J.
Second Freehold.....	Esra W. Collier.....	90	3	1	1	.....	190	7	1	120	95	110	\$888 57	\$3,533 49	Freehold, "		
Middletown.....	Wm. Kelley.....	90	5	1	1	.....	187	12	2	.....	.....	100	250 00	1,900 00	Holmdel, "
Spotswood.....	A. Van Dewater.....	40	25	4	6	.....	102	16	11	15	15	100	94 00	24 00	Spotswood, "		
Middletown Village.....	A. C. Millsbaugh, (S. C.).....	65	1	1	.....	.....	126	10	.....	36	30	60	150 00	650 00	Middletown, "
Keyport.....	Samuel Lockwood.....	40	1	1	.....	.....	35	8	.....	23	25	35	90 00	750 00	Keyport, "
Long Branch.....	James B. Wilson.....	50	1	.....	1	.....	68	7	1	40	35	70	58 09	787 90	Long Branch, "	
Colt's Neck.....	J. S. Wyckoff.....	70	3	2	.....	.....	66	2	.....	50	40	70	60 00	.....	Colt's Neck, "
Total.....	Total.....	585	47	10	9	1	9	670	65	16	386	280	505	\$945 66	6,841 39			

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Garret C. Schenck, Marlboro', N. J.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS.	Census. Number of Families.	Communicants.						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		
			Rec'd.	On Confession.	On Certificate.	Dismissed.	Suspended.	Died.	Total now in Com- munion.	Infants.	Adults.	Number of Catechu- mens.	Number in Biblical Instruction.	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.	Congregational Pur- poses.
Aurlesville.....	Vacant.....																Aurlesville, N. Y.
Canajoharie.....	R. Van Zandt.....	85	8	8	8		6	116	1	1	15	65					Canajoharie, " "
Chaughtawaga.....	Vacant.....																Fonda, " "
Currytown.....	Vacant.....																Columbia, " "
Ephrata.....	Vacant.....																Ephrata, " "
Florida.....	J. D. Krum.....	90	18	8	8		7	130	8	7	80	70	\$209 74	\$711 84			Minerva, " "
Fort Plain.....	J. G. Hall.....	60						94	1			100	37 50	1,020 00			Fort Plain, " "
Fort Herkimer.....	Vacant.....																Fort Herkimer, " "
Fultonville.....	R. Wells.....	95		1	8			45			80	45	89 00	900 00			Fultonville, " "
Glen.....	A. H. Van Vranken.....	100	1	1	8			125	1	1		120	202 19	900 00			Glen, " "
Hagaman's Mills.....	Vacant.....																Hagaman's Mills, " "
Henderson.....	D. Lord.....	50		2	4			71				80	100 00	1,167 82			Mohawk, " "
Herkimer.....	H. B. Gardner.....	80	1	2	2		2	100	4	1	100	27	127 00	664 00			Herkimer, " "
Manheim.....	R. M. Stanbrough.....	60	1				2	75	4			45	208 00	208 00			Manheim Centre, " "
Indian Castle.....	R. M. Whitbeck.....	29	1					18									Danube, Her. Co., " "
Mapletown.....	C. D. Nott.....																Canajoharie, " "
Mohawk.....	Vacant.....	64		8	2		1	69				75	94 49	439 19			Mohawk, " "
Port Jackson.....	J. Kniskern, S. C.....	105		4	8		3	151	9			190	101 50	675 00			Port Jackson, " "
St. Johnsville.....	L. H. Van Dyke.....	84		1	2		2	103	19		8	40	43 84	700 00			St. Johnsville, " "
Stone Arabia.....	N. Bogardus, S. S.....	50						15				25					Stone Arabia, " "
Spraker's Basin.....	H. Ayrand.....																Spraker's Basin, " "
Columbia.....	Total.....	932	23	19	13	7	23	1112	42	9	218	237	770	\$909 48	\$1,384 85		Columbia, " "

Ministors without Charge.—J. J. Quick, Root; E. Slingerland, San Prairie, Dane Co., Wis.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.—P. S. N. Y.

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Number of Scholars—Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses		
First New Brunswick	Vacant	153	1	5	...	5	816	...	...	...	150	\$1,266 10	\$3,040 00	New Brunswick, N. J.
Six Mile Run	Jacob C. Sears	178	3	1	...	5	205	15	...	75	36	706 10	1,000 00	Six Mile Run, "		
Hillsborough	John De Witt	170	8	5	2	...	3	229	20	90	...	527 00	1,200 00	Millstone, "		
Middlebush	J. A. Van Doren, S. C.	180	5	1	4	...	4	161	16	50	40	300 00	1,000 00	Middlebush, "		
Griggstown	Stephen Searle	60	2	3	2	...	1	134	5	1	35	191 54	...	Griggstown, "		
Second New Brunswick	J. W. Schenck	120	4	5	10	...	1	221	3	...	...	...	...	New Brunswick, "
Boundbrook	B. F. Romaine	79	19	14	4	...	3	109	2	120	64	...	1,501 00	Boundbrook, "		
Third New Brunswick	Vacant	16	4	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	40 00	200 01	N. Brunswick, "
East Millstone	Vacant	77	13	7	...	...	131	10	...	93	53	200 00	1,337 00	Millstone, "
Metuchin	J. B. Thompson	65	16	2	6	...	107	14	5	40	...	880 17	1,803 63	Metuchin, "		
Total	Total	825	51	38	33	1	20	1743	83	19	503	203	\$3,611 81	\$10,581 63		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Samuel B. How, Rev. John Proud, Rev. Wm. J. Thompson, Rev. T. Rameyn Beck, New Brunswick, N. J. Rev. W. H. Steele, Newark, N. J. Rev. Jacob Basy, Missionary at Kookut, Iowa. Rev. Henry W. Brandt, Missionary in Belgium.—Marshall Hembaw, Professor of Mathematics, Rutgers College, N. J. Rev. David Cole, Professor of Greek, in Rutgers College, N. J.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
			Number of Families	Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average		Religious and Benev-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses
				On Confession	On Certificate												
New York	Thomas De Wit.....	470	84	85	81	93	1158	92	6	50	585	\$24,955 13	.....	193 Ninth Street.		
	Thos. E. Vermilye....	280	31	27	20	4	455	40	8	360	44	1,806 06	\$12,411 00	20 East 37th Street.			
	T. W. Chambers.....	895	11	9	20	7	882	21	4	275	75	300	5,000 00	70 West 36th Street.			
	Joseph T. Duryee....	124	25	26	24	1	306	16	4	195	131	170	1,325 43	26 West 36th Street.			
	Peter Stryker.....	140	84	1	5	1	104	19	3	93	28	200	5,118 40	205 West 31st Street.			
	Thomas C. Strong....	190	19	23	9	333	743	50	.....	.....	.....	400	320 00	65 Hammond Street.
	Alex. R. Thompson..	165	61	.....	.....	8	65	11	1	160	55	200	2,378 87	105 East 18th Street.	
	J. B. Hardenbergh*..	40	.....	2	1	2	70	11	1	160	55	200	7,006 87	256 West 22d Street.		
	Harvey D. Gauss....	100	4	.....	.....	2	938	8	3	230	55	220	529 00	20 West 28th Street.	
	Vacant.....	193	6	17	4	2	998	17	6	296	99	43	1,000 00	Harlem.			
	Wm. Henry Miller....	96	1	9	2	1	57	16	13	130	40	115	227 85	Washington Heights.			
	E. Van Aken.....	66	9	.....	.....	160	18	.....	.....	10	31	330	73 00	Mott Haven, Westch'rs Co.
J. S. Lord.....	66	9	.....	.....	160	18	.....	.....	10	31	330	73 00	33 Grove Street.	
H. V. Voorhis.....	160	4	6	1	4	308	17	1	60	.....	330	700 00	Fort Richmond, S. I.			
W. T. Enayrd.....	60	5	1	1	1	91	5	1	33	20	150	138 82	Richmond, S. I.				
H. A. Friedel.....	60	5	1	1	1	91	5	1	33	20	150	138 82	South Side, S. I.				
J. Brownlee.....	25	.....	.....	.....	.....	16	.....	.....	23	12	70	24 58	Richmond, (S. I.).	
Jacob Fehrmann....	69	12	.....	2	.....	117	80	.....	18	48	160	48 75	143 West 81st Street.	
H. B. Stryker, S. S..	46	3	7	1	.....	67	8	2	75	82	195	134 22	2,731 10	Yorkville, N. Y. City.		
J. H. Oertler.....	2384	259	175	183	1	26	4814	271	33	2030	651	4568	\$36,862 96	.....		
D. McL. Quackenbush.	Total.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Isaac Ferris, J. B. Hardenbergh, John Forsyth, N. J. Marselis, S. O. A. N. Kilde, T. B. Gregory, F. Zantara, T. R. O. Peck, Charleston, S. C. Leonard W. Kip, Jr., Missionary to China. Charles Whitehead, C. M. Jameson, A. R. Van Nest, D. D.

* In charge of Mission Chapel.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

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		Number of Families	On Confession	On Certificate	Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Stapleton.....	Thos. H. Skinner, Jr.	65	3	....	37	....	....	1	207	9	....	313	40	200	\$316 00	\$1,700 00	Stapleton, S. I.
Tompkinsville.....	E. W. Hitchcock	83	8	10	7	3	....	1	191	16	1	144	35	140	917 70	2,227 16	Tompkinsville, S. I.
South Dutch.....	E. P. Rogers	160	15	28	4	....	....	4	533	3	6	....	....	300	3,784 83	....	New York City.
Market Street.....	C. D. Murray	165	2	5	11	....	....	1	448	8	2	400	30	350	1,737 00	4,140 00	"
Washington Square.....	M. S. Hutton	154	6	16	12	....	....	3	92	9	....	30	25	120	3,053 24	7,932 00	"
Manhattan.....	E. Wiggins	56	9	1	8	....	....	3	187	33	2	30	30	130	1,200 00	....	"
Bushwick.....	S. H. Becker, (S. C.)	67	16	4	10	....	....	3	187	4	1	30	30	130	317 00	1,050 00	Williamsburgh, L. I.
Union R. F. Dutch Ch., Sixth Av.	J. C. Dutcher...	118	11	17	6	....	....	2	161	4	....	....	55	150	456 00	4,000 00	New York City.
German Ref. F. Dutch Church...	A. Berkley.....	98	20	....	....	....	....	....	253	122	....	57	30	250	200 00	....	"
German Reformed Church...	J. S. Ebaugh	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	"
North Trin. E. D. Ch., of N. Y.	Vacant.....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	"
Total.....	Total.....	966	85	81	94	3	16	216	216	12	946	812	2260	\$10,746 37	\$22,249 16	....	....

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Dr. Mathews, N. Y. City; Rev. Dr. Macaulay, N. Y. City; Rev. J. B. Steele, N. Y. City; Rev. John Alburta, N. Y. City;
 Rev. Joseph McKee, Newark, N. J.; Rev. Benjamins Van Keuren, Chaplain of New York Prison Association, N. Y. City.
Candidates.—Isaac Warner, New Brunswick, N. J.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES		PASTORS.		Census.		Communicants.					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.						
				Number of Families.		Rec'd.		Total now in Com- munion.			Infants.		Adults.		Number of Catechu- mens.		Number in Biblical Instruction.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes.		Congregational Pur- poses.		
						On Confession.		On Certificate.		Discontinued.		Suspended.		Died.										
Berea.....	Jas. B. Ten Eyck.....	62	1	3	1	5	1	67	7	60	25	130	\$146 80	\$620 00	St. Andrews, N. Y.									
Bloomburgh.....	Vacant.....	109	1	3	5	164	8	164	8	60	25	130	.....	.....	Bloomburgh, "							
Blackbrook.....	Vacant.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	North Branch, "
Caddebackville.....	Vacant.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Caddebackville, "
Deerpark.....	Samuel W. Mills.....	115	16	9	1	151	5	80	9	100	80	900	70 00	575 00	Port Jervis, "									
Elleville.....	E. W. Bentley.....	120	12	9	1	178	12	178	7	.....	.....	.....	451 88	1100 00	do. "						
Elleville, 2d f.....	Declared extinct.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	207 18	1035 55	do. "
Fallsburgh.....	George W. Condit.....	100	3	9	1	152	5	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	7 50	742 00	Woodbourne, "					
Grahamville.....	David A. Jones.....	28	3	2	.....	70	.....	20	12	30	12	60	27 93	258 25	Grahamville, "							
Upper Neversink.....	do.....	18	3	.....	.....	20	.....	30	.....	2	15	20	12 70	346 52	Claryville, "					
Jeffersonville.....	John Boehr.....	80	5	22	1	62	18	62	.....	3	18	20	6 29	140 00	Jeffersonville, "								
Thumansville.....	do.....	48	8	3	1	94	21	14	5	.....	10	25	6 00	152 00	Thumansville, "								
Milesville.....	do.....	15	8	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 25	Fremont Centre, "
Mamakating.....	John Dubois.....	85	1	2	3	85	1	75	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Wurtsboro, "				
Middleport.....	John Van Vleck.....	100	8	1	1	122	8	162	8	1	30	60	15 00	400 00	Kerhonkson, "									
Wawarsing.....	do.....	135	1	5	1	122	8	142	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Napanoch, "			
Minisink.....	Vacant.....	25	1	1	1	42	.....	300	9	1	175	150	9 00	800 00	Montague, N. J.								
Montgomery.....	A. B. Van Zandt.....	175	4	1	2	3	300	219	8	1	50	100	532 85	1,342 75	Montgomery, N. Y.									
Newburgh.....	G. H. Mandeville.....	120	9	16	10	3	219	8	1	50	100	150	750 45	2,780 00	Newburgh, "									
New Hurley.....	L. L. Comfort.....	175	8	5	3	3	136	14	.....	100	60	235	154 00	800 00	New Hurley, "								
New Prospect.....	Wm. Hamilton.....	125	8	5	8	5	177	5	.....	53	65	160	80 00	880 00	Udenville, "								
Shawangunk.....	Charles Scott, S. O.....	200	3	5	1	1	272	13	.....	80	130	190	849 32	923 62	Braynswick, "								
Walden.....	M. V. Schoonmaker.....	100	12	1	5	4	178	16	2	100	50	90	250 00	1,200 00	Walden, "									
Walpack.....	Alex. McWilliam.....	227	84	2	2	5	243	10	10	.....	.....	.....	47 00	900 00	Bushkill, "						
	Gilbert S. Garrison.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dingman's Ferry, Pa.
Total.....	.....	2162	117	60	64	64	2851	162	34	854	906	1800	\$3,179 71	\$15,564 97									

Members without Charge—Joshua Boyd, and Wm. S. Heyer (Emeritus), Newburgh; Robert Pitts, Stroudsburg, Pa.; Nathan W. Jones, Dingman's Ferry, Pa.; Henry Morris, Port Jervis; Wm. Cornell and Jeremiah Searle, New Brunswick, N. J. * Ordered to be left blank. † Will hereafter be dropped from the roll. ‡ Gilbert S. Garrison, P. E., Dingman's Ferry, Pa.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & E. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
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															On Confession	
Clarkstown.....	Peter J. Quick.....	100	4	2	...	3	153	9	1	30	...	112	\$226 39	...	Nyack Turnpike, N. Y.	
Tappan.....	Isaac D. Cole.....	120	1	1	...	3	138	6	...	50	...	100	150 00	\$750 00	Tappan, N. J.	
Acquanott.....	J. Paschal Strong, (S. C.).....	210	14	6	3	5	303	21	4	150	...	200	1,031 93	1,500 00	Pascals, N. J.	
1st Church, Totowa.....	Alex. McKelvey.....	162	14	6	3	1	211	13	2	232	190	211	539 63	1,783 60	Paterson, "	
2d Church, Totowa.....	John H. Duryea.....	150	8	2	1	5	290	15	3	130	30	160	611 84	1,100 00	Paterson, "	
Paramus.....	E. Tanjore Corwin.....	180	1	...	...	3	163	9	1	100	80	80	963 42	644 03	Hoboken, "
Pascack.....	John T. Demarest.....	70	1	1	...	3	85	1	...	50	...	50	53 00	...	Pascack, N. Y.	
Saddle River.....	John Manly.....	83	3	4	...	2	122	5	...	20	...	50	21 50	...	Monsey, N. Y.	
Ramapo.....	Wm. Demarest.....	57	2	4	...	3	51	5	...	13	13	100	83 36	...	Suffern, N. Y.	
West New Hempstead.....	John R. Brock.....	79	2	4	...	3	91	3	...	...	...	40	...	...	Spring Valley, "
Warwick.....	Ferdinand H. Vanderveer.....	80	2	1	...	1	95	1	1	175	70	240	198 16	1,316 02	Warwick, "	
Nyack.....	Uriah Marvin.....	145	3	5	1	1	215	5	1	55	55	33	350 42	745 15	Nyack, "	
Piermont.....	Henry E. Decker.....	66	2	14	1	1	56	6	...	...	...	...	53 00	644 02	Piermont, N. J.
Holland Church, Paterson.....	Vacant.....	183	8	9	2	...	114	40	1	63	...	...	...	...	Paterson, N. J.
Holland Church, Lodi.....	James Huysoon.....	1640	61	40	28	7	33	2123	131	13	1123	1363	\$3,761 50	\$7,436 57	...	
Total.....		1640	61	40	28	7	33	2123	131	13	1123	1363	\$3,761 50	\$7,436 57	...	

Minister without Charge.—Rev. P. Peltz, Cor. Sec'y. For. Miss. Board.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Boardville, M. S.	Jas. E. Bernart, Miss'y.	40	...	...	...	...	1	178	...	...	30	25	\$35 60	...	Pompton, N. J.
Fairfield	Joseph Wilson	90	...	...	...	...	1	96	...	...	55	40	50 00	\$103 00	Little Falls, "
Little Falls	J. C. Cruikshank	60	...	...	...	...	1	96	9	...	20	70	...	...	"
Montville	Nathaniel Conklin	140	6	1	2	4	191	7	...	...	43	40	...	...	Beonton, "
Pompton Plains	J. Ferguson Harris, S. C.	180	4	5	5	1	294	8	...	...	125	70	204 80	1,502 80	Pompton Plains, N. J.
Pompton	Vacant	125	2	4	4	5	169	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	"
Ponds	B. V. Collins	82	...	...	...	...	...	65	9	...	18	80	25 00	...	"
Preakness	Cyrus B. Durand	100	1	3	...	...	1	63	4	...	89	69	45 45	478 00	Paterson, "
Stone House Plains	P. Stryker Talmage	85	...	2	1	...	1	92	5	...	80	80	41 12	...	Boonsfield, "
Wyckoff	A. G. Hyerson *	100	...	...	...	...	...	117	...	...	45	70	...	...	Godwinville, "
	Total	1002	10	15	11	2	14	1175	54	...	505	295	\$488 64	\$2,105 80	

Mistler without Charge.—Rev. James Demarest, Pompton, N. J. * Last year's report.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants				Rap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
		Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
Harlingen	John Gardner	1	4	...	1	209	14	40	30	250	\$270 00	\$800 00	Harlingen, N. J.	
Readington	John Van Liew	4	7	...	3	222	10	100	...	200	310 00	880 00	Readington, "	
Ne-Shanic	Gabriel Ludlow	4	6	...	8	214	6	60	80	198	316 70	626 00	Ne-Shanic, "	
1st Church Philadelphia *	J. H. Saydam	6	4	42	12	148	1	9	...	...	829 02	2,500 00	Philadelphia, Pa.
2d do. do.	T. D. Talmage	11	21	4	2	310	4	5	500	600	1,331 00	5,337 00	" "	
3d do. do.	Vacant	8	...	9	3	198	8	140	162	130	1,200 00	4,000 00	" "	
N. & S. Hampton	A. O. Halsey	6	...	5	...	1	279	11	...	49	...	...	Richboro, Pa.
Blawenburgh	A. W. Knowlton	6	1	4	3	181	4	50	75	405	921 15	1,600 00	Blawenburgh, N. J.	
Stanton	T. B. Romeyn	3	2	1	1	180	4	68	...	...	500 00	...	Stanton, "
Manayunk	H. Doolittle	4	...	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	Manayunk, Pa.
Rocky Hill	W. Fulton	4	...	...	...	37	2	...	80	100	...	...	Rocky Hill, N. J.
4th Church Philadelphia.	M. L. Schenck	8	...	...	9	118	96	12	82	200	10 00	...	Philadelphia, Pa.
Clover Hill	G. E. Gramm	86	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Clover Hill, N. J.
	Vacant	
Total		130	47	90	1	39	2061	162	10	970	909	2173	\$4,938 47	\$17,117 00

Ministers without Charge.—John V. N. Talmage, Missionary in China. Rev. Charles Collins, Jr., Philadelphia. Rev. O. R. Wack. Rev. Geo. H. Fisher, D. D., Philadelphia, Pa.

* No report since 1860.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
				Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev-olent Purposes		Congregational Pur-poses
				On Confession	On Certificate												
1st Church, Poughkeepsie	Geo. M. McKee	157	7	9	3	4	308	2	3	...	222	222	\$1,203 30	.....	Poughkeepsie.	
2d Church, Poughkeepsie	C. S. Hageman, (S. C.)	115	8	10	7	1	199	4	1	25	75	175	1,055 07	.....	Poughkeepsie.	
Fishkill	Francis M. Kip	85	1	3	4	4	193	2	...	110	41	70	655 48	.....	Fishkill.	
Hopewell	Oliver E. Cobb	90	7	6	3	3	293	6	1	40	...	130	350 67	.....	Adrian.	
New Hackensack	Cornelius Van Cleef	115	1	1	6	3	248	4	...	...	...	150	248 50	.....	New Hackensack.
Fishkill Landing	Joseph Kimball	135	8	2	1	6	249	...	...	80	...	130	1,000 00	\$1,700 00	Fishkill Landing.
Rhinebeck	H. R. Timlow	85	10	6	...	2	151	2	...	...	...	60	80 00	.....	Rhinebeck.
Hyde Park	Herman Vedder	...	3	3	1	1	74	4	3	35	35	45	80 00	.....	Hyde Park.	
Greenbush	Edwin Holmes, (S. S.)	44	3	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	Pine Plains.
Glenham	Vacant	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	Glenham.
Cold Spring	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	Cold Spring, Putnam co.
Total	Total	906	25	38	30	24	1685	24	8	290	373	972	\$4,643 02	\$1,700 00			

Ministors with Load Charge.—Rev. William A. Cornell, Poughkeepsie; S. A. Van Vechten, Fishkill; W. A. Miller, Albany; Rev. J. B. Drury, Rhinebeck; Rev. C. D. Rice, Poughkeepsie; Rev. C. R. V. Romondt, Cold Spring; Isaac S. Kip, Chaplain, 160th N. Y. S. Volunteers, P. O. Fishkill.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.—P. S. N. Y.

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census		Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
		Number of Families	Total now in Com-munion	Died	Suspended	Dismissed	Rec'd		Infants	Adults	Number of Catho-lics	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene-volent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses		
							On Confession	On Certificate									
1st Raritan.....	Abraham Mesler.....	185	461	5	.....	.....	.....	8	60	.....	215	.....	.....	.....	.....	Somerville, N. J.	
Bedminster.....	William Brush.....	180	291	5	.....	.....	.....	8	80	36	275	.....	410 00	.....	.....	.....	Pluckamin, "
Rockaway.....	Smith Sturges.....	100	154	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	84	30	100	.....	740 00	.....	.....	.....	White House, "
Lebanon.....	Robert Van Amburg.....	190	180	.....	.....	.....	.....	19	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Lebanon, "
North Branch.....	P. M. Doolittle.....	95	134	.....	.....	.....	.....	9	50	40	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	North Branch, N. J.
2d Raritan.....	John F. Mesick, (S. C.).....	150	342	3	.....	.....	.....	13	100	15	200	.....	471 25	.....	1,125 00	.....	Somerville, "
Pea Pack.....	Henry P. Thompson.....	104	162	8	.....	.....	.....	17	4	100	50	140	.....	.....	.....	.....	Pea Pack, "
Branchville.....	William Pitcher.....	100	142	.....	.....	.....	.....	6	2	.....	130	.....	948 98	.....	.....	.....	South Branch, "
8d Raritan.....	James Lefevre.....	100	216	1	.....	.....	.....	11	115	95	145	.....	282 55	.....	2,475 00	.....	Raritan, "
Easton.....	C. H. Edgar.....	35	69	.....	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	64	.....	51 00	.....	.....	.....	Easton, Pa.
Warren.....	J. F. Neef.....	44	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	29	40	70	.....	6 00	.....	157 84	.....	Plainfield, "
Plainfield.....	J. F. Neef.....	23	43	.....	.....	.....	.....	5	12	12	38	.....	8 00	.....	111 56	.....	Plainfield, "
		1266	2203	4	83	56	.....	105	600	382	1345	\$1,282 75	\$1,409 40				

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Alexander McClelland, D.D., Rev. John Van Der Veer, D.D., Rev. J. A. H. Cornell, D.D. Candidates—Frederick Wilson.

JUNE, 1863.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants							Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Par- poses		
		On Confession	On Certificate													
Bloomgrove	J. A. Staats	80	4	1	...	...	46	3	1	100	...	80	\$40 00	\$1,410 00	Deforestville, N. Y.
Castleton	E. L. Hernance	125	6	...	...	...	136	23	2	...	...	75	...	2,500 00	Castleton, "
Chatham	C. E. Mead	110	...	...	...	...	125	2	2	...	...	55	134 25	1,243 00	Chatham & Corners, "
1st Ghent	Wm. W. Letson	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Ghent, "
2d do	J. H. Van Woert	120	6	...	...	...	129	11	1	50	...	100	550 00	800 00	Hudson, "
Greenbush	P. Q. Wilson	150	...	...	...	...	3	140	...	...	...	...	100 00	65 00	East Greenbush, "
Kinderhook	J. R. Berry	240	3	2	3	3	807	2	1	...	100	130	1,417 71	2,280 00	Kinderhook, "	
Nassau	R. H. Steele	140	10	5	5	5	270	8	13	...	40	120	330 00	2,330 00	Nassau, "	
New Concord	Josiah Jansen	60	1	...	...	...	59	1	...	39	28	34	69 22	439 25	East Chatham, "
Schoodack	B. F. Snyder	170	3	1	3	156	10	2	...	40	125	459 59	1,050 00	Schoodack Landing, "
Stuyvesant	E. Nevius	110	4	...	...	...	103	5	...	...	...	95	258 17	575 00	Stuyvesant, "
do Falls	M. Swick	50	...	...	...	...	45	...	...	...	25	70	60 00	550 00	Stuyvesant Falls, "
Total	Total	1415	72	23	2	21	1519	65	22	189	293	914	\$3,528 94	\$13,575 28		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. E. Holmes, Foughkeepsie; E. P. Simson, suspended; E. D. Bates, Stuyvesant Falls.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES		PASTORS		Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
				Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
West Troy.....	O. H. Gregory.....	115	6	2	3	341	5	5	2	40	85	\$446 48	\$1,500 00	West Troy, N. Y.			
South West Troy.....	G. L. Roof.....	90	3	0	2	142	5	5	2	30	85	150 00	900 00	do.			
Wynantkill.....	J. Stevenson.....	86	2	3	2	57	3	3	25	20	35	55 00	600 00	Wynantkill,			
Becht.....	J. W. Major.....	56	...	...	...	60	3	3	...	10	60	36 00	800 00	Cohoes,
Waterford.....	Vacant.....	35	...	...	...	90	1	1	...	25	140	442 27	2,106 00	Waterford,
Cohoes.....	C. N. Waldron, S. O.....	149	0	1	5	235	12	2	50	30	90	838 63	1,000 00	Cohoes,			
Bessemer.....	J. H. Revier.....	92	1	2	1	126	3	3	...	30	50	100 00	1,150 19	Newtonville,			
Union Village.....	John Steele.....	80	1	2	1	120	1	1	3	100	70	57 60	500 00	Greenwich,			
Saratoga.....	A. G. Lansing.....	97	5	1	1	81	3	3	1	43	56	...	...	Schuyterville,	
Tiostock.....	F. A. Gardner.....	44	2	1	...	53	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Bushert's Bridge,
Easton.....	Vacant.....	40	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	North Easton,
Schaghticoke.....	Vacant.....	40	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Schaghticoke,
Northumberland.....	G. McCartney.....	70	...	1	2	110	4	4	...	12	70	...	...	Bacon Hill,	
Gansevoort.....	do.	30	3	...	...	39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	do.
Jackson.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort Miller.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....		996	22	23	8	1677	34	8	248	273	725	\$1,751 00	\$9,756 19				

Ministers without Charge.—C. Van Santvoord, Chaplain U. S. A., Schenectady; John Smith, Troy.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools — Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Census	Number of Families	On Confession	On Certificate									Bap.			C. & B. C.
First Schenectady	E. E. Seelye	290	2	12	5	0	408	5	1	15	190	\$255 00	\$35,241 89	Schenectady, N. Y.	
Second do	A. Du Bois	80	3	5	2	1	69	10	1	15	92	57 04	2,996 47	"	
Third do	W. F. Schwilk	71	7	2	1	1	189	33	1	25	44	55 83	666 53	"	
Helderbergh	Wm. P. Davis	250	1	1	1	3	282	20	50	40	240	173 00	.....	Guilderland Centre,
Amity	W. G. E. See	0	4	1	1	1	113	6	45	40	90	137 00	.....	Vlascber's Ferry,
First Glenville	G. H. Peek	150	22	2	5	1	226	8	12	29	183	231 87	842 22	Glenville,	
Second do	Vacant	100	2	2	2	2	63	4	36	29	85	.....	.....	Schenectady,
First Rotterdam	Vacant	100	2	2	2	2	88	4	36	29	85	.....	.....	Hoffman's Ferry,
Second do	R. L. Schoonmaker	97	5	1	1	1	122	5	40	60	100	75 66	800 00	Schenectady,	
Niskayuna	J. A. De Baun	100	3	4	5	2	132	5	40	60	100	134 07	500 00	Niskayuna,	
Lisnas Kill	do	80	1	4	1	1	103	5	50	40	110	.....	.....	"
Princetown	D. B. Hall, S. S.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Dunnville,
Dayt	Vacant	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	West Day,
Total	Total	1405	121	28	23	4	1039	91	16	235	1930	\$1,197 83	\$32,447 71		

Ministers without Charge—Rev. A. J. Swift, S. O. *pro tem.*, Schenectady; J. H. Seelye, Amherst College; J. H. Durfee, Chaplain 81st Regiment N. Y. Volunteers, Hilton Head, S. C.; P. H. Burghardt, Schenectady; David B. Hall, S. S., Dunnville; G. D. Conaul, Lieutenant at Schenectady.

* 84 at Schenectady, 40 at Glenville. † Report of last year. ‡ No report.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
				Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants		Number of Gate- keepers	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
				On Confession	On Certificate												
Schoharie.....	C. E. Crispell.....	91	22	9	6	2	13	909	10	3	138	836	665	\$500 32	\$4,097 55	Schoharie, Middleburgh, do.	
Middleburgh.....	E. Vetter, S. C.....	78						108	1		15	53	130	56 00	370 00	do.	
Schoharie Mt.....	do. S. C.....	60			1			60				20	35	1 50	160 00	Berne, do.	
Berne.....	E. Miller.....	60						29	3		16	30	40	65 63	300 00	do.	
Beaver Dam.....	do.....	54						80			20	50	75	10 53	270 00	Lawverville, do.	
Lawverville.....	H. A. Raymond.....	65			2			86			12	20	35	23 85	370 00	do.	
Sharon.....	do.....	80			1			94	5		12	20	35	16 00	440 00	Gilboa, do.	
Gilboa.....	Vacant.....	94														Gilboa, North Blenheim, do.	
North Blenheim.....	T. L. Shaffer.....	44						53	1	1	12	16	40	18 16	300 00	North Blenheim, do.	
Breakabin.....	do.....	35						36		1		25	70	19 85	220 00	Gallupville, do.	
Gallupville.....	J. M. Compton.....	56						88			15	69	123	9 90	370 00	Gallupville, do.	
Knox.....	do.....	28			1			64			6	12	22	8 00	200 00	do.	
Eminence.....	Vacant.....																
Cobleskill.....	Vacant.....																
Total.....	Total.....	725	22	9	6	2	13	909	10	3	138	836	665	\$500 32	\$4,097 55		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. M. Scribner, Middleburgh; Wm. A. Benedict, Durham; Eliza Doty, Missionary to China.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate												
Blue Mountain	Vacant	90	2	...	...	...	8	107	8	...	40	20	\$71 15	\$750 26	Quarryville, N. Y.
Catskill	J. H. Collier	95	2	...	...	...	1	185	5	...	40	30	205 21	...	Anesville, "
Esopus	Vacant	120	6	...	...	...	2	179	14	...	100	35	16 56	...	Glascow, "
Flatbush	John Minor	120	11	...	...	...	4	373	19	...	75	115	84 65	...	Kingsdon, "
Kingsdon	John C. F. Hoos	200	80	...	...	...	9	813	10	...	75	92	1,068 11	2,156 64	Glascow, "
North Esopus	C. L. Van Dyck	80	4	...	...	...	1	122	5	...	75	92	181 06	683 48	Port Ewen, "
Plattekill	N. F. Chapman	135	1	...	...	...	2	242	18	...	50	50	125 00	575 00	Glascow, "
Saugerties	John Gaston	130	13	...	...	...	2	212	17	...	50	50	1,091 28	2,348 52	Saugerties, "
Shokan	A. P. Pecke	60	1	...	...	...	3	88	1	...	20	75	95 00	...	Shokan, do.
Shandaken	do.	60	1	...	...	...	3	99	1	...	10	16	50 00	450 00	West Hurley, "
West Hurley	Q. Case	57	3	...	...	...	5	97	9	...	10	16	50 00	450 00	West Hurley, "
Woodstock	Vacant	1107	70	21	25	2	2	1034	91	8	388	311	\$2,918 02	\$7,413 85	Woodstock, "	
Total		1107	70	21	25	2	2	1034	91	8	388	311	\$2,918 02	\$7,413 85		

Wiltwyck Missionary Station supplied by Rev. Wm. A. Shaw.
Missioners without Charge.—Rev. H. Ostrander, D.D., and J. Gosman, D.D., Saugerties; Rev. C. Blauvelt, Wm. L. James, Woodstock; Rev. A. H. Myer,
 Anesville; Wesley Taylor, suspended.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants						Bap.	C. & R. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS					
		Census	Number of Families	Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended		Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults		Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
				On Confession	On Certificate													
1st Tarrytown...	Abel T. Stewart...	88	...	9	...	...	...	6	174	6	5	2	45	68	\$908 98	\$1,936 82	Tarrytown, Westchester Co. N. Y.
2d Tarrytown...	John A. Todd...	95	...	5	6	...	...	2	197	2	2	1	45	88	1,451 48	1,556 68	"
Unionville...	W. S. Moore, (S. C.)...	38	...	...	...	...	...	4	76	2	45	88	20	24	5	400 00	Neperan, "
Greenburgh...	W. S. Moore...	35	...	...	...	...	...	1	96	20	15	25	10	15	8 09	205 00	"
Greenville...	John H. Pitcher...	42	...	...	...	...	...	...	67	...	...	...	20	80	70	70	Scarsdale, "
Yonkers...	Victor M. Hulbert...	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	133	8	1	40	20	100	156 47	8,213 35	Yonkers, "
Hastings...	Henry H. Johnson...	84	...	...	...	...	...	...	85	6	1	...	...	52	504 00	1,925 01	Hastings-upon-Hudson, "
Fordham...	James Bolton...	35	...	...	...	...	...	...	98	3	2	...	...	125	36 67	...	Fordham, Westchester Co. "
Mount Vernon...	Isaac M. See...	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	95	7	1	...	...	108	69	...	Mount Vernon, "
West Farms...	Polhemus Van Wyck...	62	...	...	...	...	...	...	95	3	...	...	...	80	43 86	950 00	West Farms, "
Bronxville...	W. Roosevelt...	51	...	...	...	...	...	...	58	1	2	...	...	...	100 00	1,000 00	Pelham, "
Peekskill...	Charles D. Buck...	52	...	...	...	...	...	...	89	1	1	...	...	...	179 41	1,261 51	"
Cortlandtown...	Vacant...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	51	3	...	...	...	...	17 31	...	Peekskill, "
Melrose, (German)...	Vacant...	15	...	...	...	...	...	...	25	20	2	...	...	...	12 00	405 00	"
	Total...	756	...	45	37	81	4	94	1337	63	10	459	407	748	\$3,015 45	\$14,523 92	Morrisania, "	

Ministers without Charge.—Jacob Dahlmann, Ernst Schroepfer, Morrisania, N. Y. *Correspondents.*—Alexander Watson, (City Agent of N. Y. Bible Society,) Sing Sing, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Beneficent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Franklin.....	Vacant.....	92	1	6	...	...	50	7	...	25	...	\$42 63	.....	Franklin, Milwaukee co. Wis.
Bethlehem.....	Vacant.....	93	1	...	...	...	42	6	1	40	...	38 93	\$19 94	Bethlehem, Milwaukee, P. O.
Holland.....	J. C. Van der Meulen.....	63	3	...	2	1	134	23	...	53	...	...	...	Cedar Grove, Sheboygan co.
Oostburg.....	R. Van der Schuur.....	86	4	1	1	3	211	17	...	57	...	139 97	549 60	" "
Sheboygan Falls.....	Vacant.....	8	...	2	...	...	18	...	...	10	...	9 06	9 39	Sheboygan Falls, Wis.
Gibbsville.....	Vacant.....	85	5	3	...	...	70	6	...	30	...	60 37	131 15	Gibbsville, Sheboygan co.
Alto.....	M. A. Ypma, *.....	79	9	2	...	1	134	24	...	100	30	300 00	800 00	Alto, "
Milwaukee.....	J. Van der Meulen.....	25	4	10	2	...	1	126	17	40	120	255 00	600 73	Milwaukee, Box 916
1st, Chicago.....	H. G. Klein, †.....	52	9	11	1	3	83	12	...	65	...	179 00	644 75	Chicago, Illinois.
Livingston, Chicago.....	N. D. Williamson.....	23	6	11	3	...	35	3	1	20	30	30 00	370 00	West Chicago, Box 833, Ill.
Belgh Prairie.....	S. Bolks.....	46	...	5	1	1	92	16	...	76	...	210 04	219 18	Thornton, Cook co., "
Low Prairie.....	Vacant.....	80	11	4	...	...	123	17	...	...	...	129 67	291 10	" "
North Creek.....	Vacant.....	16	...	...	...	...	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
Silow Creek.....	John Muller.....	125	16	...	9	...	122	23	...	21	40	179 00	1,551 74	Fresport, Ill.
Forreston.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
Total.....	...	712	73	31	35	7	1974	132	2	562	100	\$1,654 16	\$5,290 85	

* Since deceased. † Pastor elect.

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REF. PROT. DUTCH CHURCH FOR THE YEAR 1863.

CLASSES	Churches	Minist'ers	Candidates	Number of Families	Received		Now in Communion	Baptized		No. of Communicants	No. in Biblical Instruction	Total No. of S. S. Scholars	Contributions		STATED CLERKS
					On Confession	On Certificate		Infants	Adults				Religious and Beneficent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Class of Albany.....	16	15	...	1282	62	52	2246	106	11	571	566	1009	\$5,681 18	\$28,189 08	Rev. Isaac N. Wyckoff.
Class of Arcot.....	6	10	...	...	21	21	926	24	10	...	...	...	...	...	Rev. Ezekiel C. Scudder.
Class of Bergen.....	11	12	...	702	67	63	918	97	6	528	484	1045	\$7,792 00	\$7,792 00	Rev. Alex. H. Warner.
South Class of Bergen.....	13	15	1	1559	68	48	2077	128	16	1265	1296	1176	7,719 96	18,563 64	Rev. Paul D. Van Cleeft.
Class of Cayuga.....	12	15	...	715	61	11	914	28	6	128	363	737	7,741 91	7,763 09	Rev. John Garretson.
Class of Geneva.....	16	17	...	1082	75	47	1844	125	27	495	363	873	7,738 89	13,149 16	Rev. George J. Van Nette.
Class of Holland.....	10	11	...	1043	27	29	1566	36	11	690	395	1018	9,252 63	9,397 34	Rev. Samuel T. Searle.
Class of Hudson.....	15	9	...	1282	76	56	2079	238	2	921	158	883	3,707 58	6,763 07	Rev. Adrian Zerner.
Class of Illinois.....	8	9	...	900	40	17	1296	58	9	1270	...	...	1,963 29	13,857 78	Rev. D. D. Denareet, D. D.
Class of Kingston.....	11	12	...	414	42	24	560	48	5	225	911	825	2,429 71	...	Rev. John E. Joranson.
Class of Long Island.....	12	10	...	1256	64	41	1560	90	12	628	665	1414	5,429 50	10,675 23	Rev. Benj. C. Lippincott.
North Class of Long Island.....	14	18	1	1270	91	65	1889	136	19	1303	1182	2758	15,593 32	11,511 26	Rev. J. McChellan Holmes.
South Class of Long Island.....	14	17	...	1375	127	116	2803	137	19	1392	1071	2558	...	...	Rev. Jacob West.
Class of Michigan.....	11	7	...	281	15	19	866	31	5	66	187	365	811 63	1,991 00	Rev. William Bailey.
Class of Monmouth.....	8	9	...	535	47	10	870	65	16	336	290	505	949 66	6,841 89	Rev. A. C. Millspargh.
Class of Montgomery.....	22	16	...	952	23	19	1112	43	9	218	297	770	7,384 85	7,384 85	Rev. Joseph Kneiskern.
Class of New Brunswick.....	10	16	...	825	81	38	1753	88	19	503	253	1303	8,611 37	10,581 63	Rev. J. Addison Van Doren.
Class of New York.....	20	82	...	2584	259	175	4502	271	83	2030	651	4505	86,802 96	28,567 52	Rev. N. J. Marselus.
South Class of New York.....	11	16	1	966	85	81	2110	216	12	946	812	9260	10,746 27	22,349 16	Rev. S. H. Meeker.
Class of Orange.....	23	23	...	2162	117	60	2851	163	84	854	906	1890	3,179 71	15,564 97	Rev. Charles Scott.
Class of Paramus.....	15	15	...	1640	61	40	2122	131	13	1193	271	1363	3,761 59	7,436 57	Rev. J. Paschal Strong.
Class of Passaic.....	10	10	...	1092	10	15	1175	54	...	...	...	...	488 64	2,105 80	Rev. J. Ferguson Harris.
Class of Philadelphia.....	14	17	...	1343	130	47	2061	162	10	970	900	2173	4,988 47	17,117 00	Rev. Theo. B. Romeyn.
Class of Poughkeepsie.....	11	16	...	906	25	98	1685	24	8	990	373	973	4,643 02	1,700 00	Rev. C. S. Hageman.
Class of Raritan.....	13	14	1	1266	98	42	2203	105	15	690	332	1345	1,583 75	4,409 40	Rev. John F. Mesick.
Class of Rensselaer.....	19	15	...	1415	72	32	1519	65	92	189	293	914	3,525 94	13,575 28	Rev. Elbert Nevins.
Class of Saratoga.....	19	12	...	956	22	28	1677	84	8	169	273	725	1,131 60	9,756 19	Rev. Charles N. Wallron.
Class of Schoenclady.....	13	15	...	1405	121	28	1659	91	18	225	290	1280	1,597 83	32,447 71	Rev. A. J. Swis.
Class of Schoharie.....	14	9	...	735	22	2	909	13	8	188	389	665	1,201 62	4,097 51	Rev. E. Vedder, <i>pro tem.</i>
Class of Ulster.....	12	14	...	1107	70	21	1694	91	8	353	811	892	2,915 02	7,418 85	Rev. Nathan F. Chapman.
Class of Westchester.....	14	13	1	756	48	31	1287	63	10	459	467	748	3,015 45	14,823 92	Rev. William S. Moore.
Class of Wisconsin.....	15	7	...	712	73	51	1274	182	2	562	100	873	1,654 16	5,290 58	Rev. J. Van Der Meulen.
Total.....	423	446	5	34321	2190	1853	58907	8155	899	19526	13098	38539	\$135,514 44	\$402,900 71	

ARTICLE VII.

SYNODICAL REFERENCES. •

The Committee on Synodical Minutes presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Synodical Minutes respectfully report : That they have examined the Minutes of General Synod and of the Particular Synods of New York, Albany, and Chicago, and they find nothing requiring the attention of this Synod, except the following :

1. On the Minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago, p. 13, the special attention of General Synod is called to the pressing needs of our home missionary field in its educational interest.

2. On the Minutes of the Particular Synod of New York, p. 51, it appears in certain Classes connected with said Synod, that the attention of said Synod was called to deficiencies and irregularities in disposing of the constitutional inquiries, but that no action was taken by said Synod on the subject. The Committee respectfully suggest, for the adoption by Synod, the following resolution :

Resolved, That it be enjoined upon the Particular Synod of New York to require of the deficient Classes full and exact compliance with the requirements of the Constitution.

3. In the statistical tables the Committee find it to be a general rule that the Churches without pastors are represented as having no members, and that as a consequence the summary view of the membership of the Protestant Reformed Dutch Church is not truthful. The Committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the stated clerks of the several Classes be directed to fill up the blanks in the column headed "Total now in communion" by inserting the number in the last Report, so signifying the fact.

4. The Committee find in the statistical tables some irregularity in relation to appending of the title of D.D. to names. The Committee suggest the propriety of uniformity in this matter.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

J. R. TALMAGE,
Chairman.

ARTICLE VIII.

SYNODICAL APPEALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE IX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Reports of their action on the proposed amendment to the Constitution, Art. III., Chap. 2, were received from the Classes, and referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. M. L. Schenck, A. C. Millspaugh, and Elder A. J. Auten.

The Committee presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Special Committee to whom the reports of the different Classes were referred upon the amendment of Article III. Chap. 2, of the Constitution, respectfully report :

Any change in the Constitution of our Church requires an approval of a majority of the Classes. Out of thirty-one we have twenty Classes who report favorably; the remainder have not been heard from.

The section which follows will, therefore, become a part of the Constitution of the Church, and stand as Section 11th, Article 3d, Chap. 2d, and read as follows :

Section 11th. When, in the circumstances of foreign mission fields, it shall be impracticable for a Classis to comply with all the ordinary requirements of the Constitution, General Synod shall have full power to grant such dispensations as the wants of the case may demand.

M. L. SCHENCK,
Chairman.

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to revise and complete the Digest of the Laws of General Synod, and have it published by the Board of Publication.

Rev. T. W. Chambers, D. D. Demarest, and the Elder William Ferris were appointed.

ARTICLE X.

DOCTRINES AND MORALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XI.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XII.

SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The final Report of the Board of Sabbath School Union was received and referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. F. H. Vanderveer, V. M. Hulbert, E. W. Hitchcock, and Elders Lawrence Vanderveer, and Joseph I. Van Mater.

The Thirty-first Annual Report of the Board of Education was received and with accompanying papers was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Treasurer's Report of the Board of Education was received and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Committee to whom the final Report of the Board of Sabbath School Union was referred, presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred the Report of the Sabbath School Board, and so much of the Reports of the Board of Domestic Missions and the Board of Publication, report—

In compliance with the resolution of Synod at their last meeting, the Sabbath School Board, from their own report, was abolished on the 1st day of September last ; at which time they transferred their property, in equal parts, to the Boards of Domestic Missions and Publication.

The Boards have accepted the transfer, and the Board of Domestic Missions, through their Missionaries, are engaged in establishing and maintaining Sabbath schools, and the Board of Publication is ready to supply the books required for libraries and Sabbath school instruction. The only difficulty which has arisen from the transfer, relates to the disposition of the funds which may be raised for Sabbath school purposes, in view of which the following action is recommended for the adoption of Synod :

Resolved, That it be recommended that of the moneys collected for Sabbath schools, those designed for their establishment and maintenance be placed in the hands of the treasurer of the Domestic Board, and those collected for libraries and books to be used by the schools be placed in the hands of the treasurer of the Board of Publication.

Resolved, That the Board of Publication have the responsibility of raising the funds and of having on hand such books as are required to supply the wants of the missionary schools of the Church.

Resolved, That the Church be called upon, as heretofore, to make

collections for the purpose of sustaining Sabbath schools within her bounds, and of establishing them as she has the opportunity.

Submitted,

F. H. VANDERVEER,
Chairman.

The Committee on Education presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Education having carefully examined the Report of the Board of Education and the several other papers referred to them by Synod, would present the following Report:

The Report of the Board gives gratifying evidence that the past year has been one of successful activity. By correspondence and otherwise an extensive and systematic correspondence has been opened with the Churches, which has resulted in an increase of *forty-two* to the number of Churches contributing to the fund. Through the liberality of Churches and individual friends, a debt of \$5,700 has been paid, and, after meeting all other claims upon the treasury, a balance remains on the favorable side of the account at the close of the fiscal year.

The invested funds, under the care of the Board of Direction, have also been increased by the munificent donation of (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars by a single individual, and the endowment of a scholarship by the payment of (\$2500) twenty-five hundred dollars by another. The name of the first of these generous donors has been long associated with the benevolence of this Church by his repeated acts of intelligent and large-hearted liberality. In the "Theodore Frelinghuysen De Witt" scholarship, a bereaved father, whose own honored name has long been a tower of strength in our Churches, perpetuates the memory of an only son in an act of benevolence which will be a permanent means of blessing to the Church. The thanks of Synod are due to these donors, and the Committee recommend the following resolution :

Resolved, That General Synod gratefully appreciates the generous gift of James Suydam of (\$10,000) ten thousand dollars to the Educational Fund of the Church, as also the donation of (\$2,500) two thousand five hundred dollars, by the Rev. Thomas De Witt, for the endowment of the "Theodore Frelinghuysen De Witt" scholarship, and cannot but hope that such examples of enlightened liberality will be followed by others, on the part of those whom the Lord has entrusted with the means.

BENEFICIARIES.

The Board reports "the total number of beneficiaries under their care during the year has been *seventy-five* ;" of this number sixteen finished their course of study, and received license to preach the Gospel in May, 1862; *twenty-eight* have been pursuing their studies during the whole of the year in the Theological Seminary at New

Brunswick; *seventeen* have been studying during the whole year in Rutgers College; *one* has been permitted to remain at Union College, and *two* have pursued their studies at Holland Academy; *eleven*, for various reasons, have passed from under the care of the Board; and *fifty* young men, in various stages of preparation for the work of the ministry, remained under the care of the Board at the close of the fiscal year.

OVERSIGHT OF BENEFICIARIES.

The General Synod, in 1857, directed that "all the instructors of young men under the care of the Board should be furnished with forms of report, and should be requested to fill up and forward the same to the secretary of the Board at the close of each current term of study." It seems that this request has been but partially complied with by the Professors of the Theological Seminary and the Faculty of Rutgers College. It is of the utmost importance, that the Board should be fully and constantly informed of the deportment and scholarship of all the young men under their care. To what extent the instructors in our College and Seminary should be expected to furnish this information, beyond a report of the diligence and scholarship of the students, may be a question. But it is to be hoped that no want of coöperation between the Board and the professors will require any action of General Synod, beyond a reiteration of the request to the faculty to furnish whatever information to the Board, touching the conduct and progress of the beneficiaries, which they may find consistent with their relations to them.

PAROCHIAL SCHOOLS.

In the department of Parochial Schools no progress is reported; the whole number of schools under the care of the Board being nine, which is one less than last year's report. The schools which exist are confined entirely to the Holland and German Churches, and number on their rolls 589 pupils, with an average attendance of 494. The Churches with which the schools are connected have contributed for their support \$789, and they have received from the Board \$830; whilst the whole amount raised by other Churches for this object is only \$47 74. These facts must speak for themselves as to the interest which the Churches feel in this particular department of Christian effort. We cannot believe that the small results in the Churches at large is owing to the want of interest in the great matter of the Christian education of Children, but arises from a combination of causes not easy to be overcome.

SABBATH SCHOOLS.

A communication from the Classis of Poughkeepsie has been put into the hands of the Committee containing the following resolutions:

"Whereas, The institution of the Sabbath school has become an important means of grace, and a valuable auxiliary to the Church,

but has never been distinctly recognized as such by General Synod nor its relations to the Church been defined, but left to a practical independence: therefore we, the Classis of Poughkeepsie—

“*Resolve*. 1. That we respectfully request General Synod to recognize the Sabbath school as a valuable instrumentality of the Church, and to adopt it as an important means of grace.

“2. To define the relation of the pastor to the Sabbath school, and to secure to him his prerogative as the divinely appointed instructor of youth and shepherd of the flock, and such authority as belongs to him by virtue of his *office* and *relations*, and as is necessary for the proper discharge of his duty.

“3. To invest Consistories with authority to control the details in the organization, and operations, and government of the school or schools committed to them.

“4. To enjoin such a course of instruction as will secure to our children and youth a better acquaintance with the doctrines and standards of our Church—a more intimate acquaintance with the cardinal doctrines of the Gospel, and to keep before them their relation to the covenant by baptism, and the privileges and obligations arising therefrom.”

The recognition of the Sabbath school as a means of grace needs not now be made by General Synod, inasmuch as the history of the Church for years past is abundant in such recognition.

The relation of the Pastor and Consistory to the Sabbath school, and their authority in the regulation and control of the same ought not to be an open question in the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church. By the Constitution of the Church its spiritual government is committed to the “Elders together with the Ministers of the Word,” and as the religious instruction of children and youth in Sabbath schools is understood to belong to the spiritual affairs of the Church, it must come under the control and government of the Pastors and Consistories.

The Classis also asks General Synod to “enjoin such a course of instruction as will secure to our children and youth a better acquaintance with the doctrines and standards of our Church.” The Synod has heretofore provided for the publication of catechisms and other books suitable to this purpose, and recommended their adoption in all our schools. Perhaps this is as much as the Synod can do to secure this desirable result, unless it be to enjoin upon Pastors and Consistories a due attention to the importance of supervising carefully the books which are used, and the character of the instructions given in the Sabbath school.

HOLLAND ACADEMY.

A special Report of the Joint Committee of the Board of Education and the Board of Direction, and the Minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago, so far as they relate to the Holland Academy, were referred to your Committee.

These documents purport to devise a plan defining the relations of the Holland Academy to the Synod and the means of its support.

From them your Committee have drawn up the following provisions, which they commend to the adoption of this Synod :

TITLE OF THE PROPERTY.

This is now confirmed by an act of the Legislature of Michigan, as invested in the General Synod for educational purposes. Hence arises the obligation of the Synod to provide means to meet all such expenditure as may become needful in the preservation and management of the property.

THE FUTURE SUPPORT OF THE ACADEMY

Must claim the care of General Synod, and until it can be sustained by more permanent endowments must be supported by such adequate though temporary expedients as Synod may devise.

It is proposed that for the present and until by endowment or otherwise the Academy may become self-sustaining, that the salary of the principal professors and teachers be provided for through or by the Board of Education.

That, so long as this arrangement or dependence may continue, the Board of Education shall have the appointment of the principal professors and teachers.

PLAN OF SUPERINTENDENCE IN A BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

In order to a more efficient supervision of the Academy and the increase of its usefulness and influence, the Particular Synod of Chicago shall nominate and the General Synod shall appoint a Board of Superintendents, composed of at least *two ministers* and *one elder* from each of the Classes of the Particular Synod of Chicago. Of this Board the Secretary of the Board of Education and the Principal of the Academy shall be ex-officio members.

THE OFFICERS OF THE BOARD

Shall be a President, Secretary, Treasurer, who shall be annually chosen by ballot.

TERM OF SERVICE.

At the first meeting of the Board the requisite steps shall be taken to divide the members into three classes, to serve one, two, and three years respectively.

EXTENT OF CONTROL.

The supervision of this Board shall be to attend the annual examination, and make a report concerning it, to examine the Academy accounts, and have a general care of the interests of the institution; and so soon as the dependence of the Academy upon the Board of Education shall cease such supervision shall extend to all matters pertaining to the Academy; such as the appointment of teachers,

regulating their salaries, and causing them to be paid, the course of instruction, examinations, repairs, alterations, and improvements of the buildings used for educational purposes, the use and cultivation of the grounds.

REPORT TO SYNOD.

The Board of Superintendents shall annually report to General Synod their proceedings during the year, and append to the same the account of the Treasurer of the Academy, duly audited, and the names of the members whose term of office is about to expire.

QUORUM.

A quorum, for the transaction of business shall consist of five members.

SPECIAL MEETINGS

Of the Board of Superintendents may be called by the President, or he shall call the same on the written application of two of its members.

WAYS AND MEANS

That the Academy may be placed on a permanent basis, the Board of Superintendents are requested immediately to initiate measures for its endowment in the sum of 30,000 dollars. The funds which may be raised for the endowment shall be paid over to the Board of Direction of General Synod, and by it safely invested for the exclusive benefit of the Institution. The interest accruing from the endowment fund shall be used for the payment of the salaries of the professors or teachers and for contingent expenses. The tuition fees and incidental expenses shall be fixed by the Board of Superintendents, and the proceeds shall be used by them for the benefit of the Institution.

The General Synod is conscious of her responsibility in assuming the charge of the Holland Academy. Feeling the importance of education as an efficient instrumentality to secure enlarged and permanent growth in her home missionary field, she would have her membership to adopt, foster, and cherish that Academy, to spare no exertion so that she may not only provide for its present wants, but to cause it to expand until it becomes an institution of a higher grade, and send out, as from a fountain of health, the young men of the West trained into a living ministry, who shall cultivate her waste places, supply the vacancies that arise, and occupy the new fields that continually present themselves. Therefore,

Resolved, That the Holland Academy be commended to the care and liberality of the Churches of our denomination.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. B. VAN ZANDT,
Chairman of Committee.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Education, whose terms of service have expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that Rev. B. C. Taylor, J. McC. Holmes, R. Ormiston Currie, J. B. Thompson, E. T. Corwin; Messrs. S. B. Schieffelin, James Suydam, S. R. Van Duzer, were elected.

The following were appointed members of the Board of Superintendents of Holland Academy :

FROM THE CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.

Rev. John Mason Ferris.....	three years.
Rev. William Bailey	two "
Elder John Armitage.....	one "

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.

Rev. J. S. Joralmon	three years.
Rev. C. G. Vanderveer.....	two "
Elder John N. Rogers.....	one "

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.

Rev. A. C. Van Raalte.....	three years.
Rev. P. G. Oggel.....	two "
Elder H. O. Yntema.....	one "

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.

Rev. N. D. Williamson	three years.
Rev. Jacob Vandermeulen.....	two "
Elder from Milwaukee.....	one "

ARTICLE XIII.

RUTGERS COLLEGE.

Rev. William H. Campbell, D.D., President of Rutgers College, addressed the Synod, asking its endorsement of the effort making for the endowment of the College.

Rev. S. B. How, D. McL. Quackenbush, John G. Hall, and Elders Luther Laffin, T. B. Mitchell, were appointed a Committee to express the sense of the Synod on the subject.

The Committee to whom was referred the request of the Trustees of Rutgers College, that General Synod would recommend to our Churches their plan for the full endowment of that College, respectfully submit for their adoption the following resolution :

Resolved, That General Synod strongly recommend to all our Churches the plan of the Trustees of Rutgers College to raise the sum of \$100,000, as of the utmost importance for the continued existence and prosperity of the College, and especially for its effecting one chief object for which it was established, the furnishing of our Churches with a learned and able, as well as pious ministry of the Gospel.

In presenting this resolution, your Committee beg leave respectfully to say, that besides general considerations which recommend to our liberal support the institutions of learning and especially of colleges, there are others which commend Rutgers College to our especial and most liberal support. It was founded in the infancy of both our Church and our nation, a few years before our war of the Revolution, and thus takes its rank among our earliest established colleges. In the catalogue of its founders are the names of the heads of Dutch families which, for a century past, have been most distinguished for social and political influence, for wealth, learning, piety, and active benevolence. In its infancy its growth was rudely arrested by the disasters of a long and destructive war, and after the war was closed the resources of the people were so exhausted, and the Dutch Church was so limited in the number of its several Churches and members, that it was with difficulty that Rutgers College was sustained. In the year 1825, however, a fresh and energetic attempt was made to resuscitate it in connection with the Theological Seminary of our Church, whose professors were appointed to professorships in the College. By this arrangement it was revived and greatly strengthened; while the professors in the Theological Seminary had their duties much increased without any increase in their salaries, for the payment of which they were dependent on General Synod. A few years since a new arrangement was made, and the trustees assumed the responsibility of supporting the President and professors of their own immediate appointment, while the professors in the Theological Seminary still continued to act as professors in the College, and thus the College has been preserved and carried forward to its present state.

From this statement it appears that from its first institution the history of the College has been the history of its struggles for existence, and that under discouragement and difficulties it has gone onward from strength to strength, and now reckons among its alumni a large number of the ministers and leading members of the Reformed Dutch Church. But though it now has in itself the elements of great future usefulness and prosperity, it has only the elements. The Dutch Church has shown a large and noble generosity in the support of its Theological Seminary, and we can point with just pride to its noble building, its large fund, its valuable though limited library, its distinguished professors, and its numerous and learned alumni. Would that we could say the same of Rutgers College, the first, but by far the most neglected child of the Church. Why has this institution been thus passed by? Are there not strong reasons why it should re-

ceive our liberal support? Is there not reason to believe that the separate existence of our Church as a distinct member of the body of Christ depends on the existence of this College? Should it be permitted to languish and die, the sons of the Church, preparing for the Gospel ministry, would be compelled to resort to colleges under the control of other religious bodies than our own; their attachment to our Church would become weakened, if not altogether alienated; they would become accustomed to other usages than our own, and would, most probably in many cases, be induced to enter other theological seminaries and the ministry of other Churches. Thus the Theological Seminary would be weakened, and the number of ministers connected by family ties to our Church would be diminished; its character would gradually be altered, and, there is reason to fear, that before many years had passed away, it would be merged and lost in some other more numerous denomination.

Is this result desirable? Your Committee think it is not. They admit that a union of all Christians is greatly to be desired, provided they can dwell together in real union of belief and mutual love and esteem. But how can two walk together except they be agreed? Among the fiercest contentions that have agitated communities and nations, those on religious subjects have been the severest and the bitterest, and peace and mutual respect and kindness have been restored and perpetuated only by the separation from each other of those who seriously have differed on subjects which they deemed of high importance. The experience of the human race shows, that in the Christian Church it is best for the cause of truth and the prosperity of true religion, that they who differ on really important points, or even what they consider as really important, should dwell separately, and should be united with those with whom they can agree and dwell together in unity of sentiment and feeling.

But more than this: What we consider as most important truths, vitally affecting the interests of true goodness, and thus, too, the glory of God and the eternal salvation of fallen men, are bitterly opposed by many in our land; and strong efforts are made to spread abroad sentiments in direct hostility to the system of truth and holiness which is found in the standards of our Church, which we have professed to receive and stand pledged to defend. In some places, we have reason to fear, serious defections have taken place from this system. We consider our College and Seminary as fortresses in which the truth of God may find a sure defence, and from which the champions of the truth and of the Cross of Christ may go forth to extend their triumphs, and the armies of the living God be increased and disciplined for their conflicts.

But should Rutgers College be permitted to fail through the indifference, or hostility, or want of liberality of our Dutch Church, when the resources of its members are so large and their wealth so great, it would bring a reproach on the memories of their forefathers and deep disgrace on its whole body. The resources of the Church are

large, and so, too, is its liberality in relation to many important objects. God has given to most of its families an abundance, and to many of them a large amount of wealth, and costly churches, and splendid habitations are built by the owners of this wealth, while Rutgers College is forgotten and suffered to struggle for its existence.

It is one of the glories of Holland, the Fatherland, that from the days of William, Prince of Orange, in the commencement of the Protestant Reformation, the people and the government have had the wisdom to sustain the cause of true learning in connection with true religion, and to found and support, by liberal endowments, their noble universities. This union of sound learning with true religion gives to nations, as well as to individuals, their highest elevation of character, and their greatest enlargement of influence and power. To it Holland owes her greatness. Though small in extent of territory and the number of her population, yet in her resources and power, in her commerce, her manufactures, and her wealth, in the number of her illustrious statesmen, and warriors, and profoundly learned scholars, and philosophers, and theologians, she stands high among all the nations of the earth. But her schools and universities have been the sources, and lay at the very foundation of this greatness. She cherished and liberally sustained her colleges, and they richly repaid all that she expended in their establishment and support. It is our earnest desire and prayer that their descendants in this land, so highly favored by God, and all the members and families connected with the Reformed Dutch Church, may possess the same spirit and exhibit the same liberality and wisdom in the support of true learning, and especially of our College as existed among their pious and enlightened fathers. Ignorance unfits men for high office or important trusts, and when joined to wickedness, debases them. Learning and piety give dignity and elevation to character, command respect and insure influence in society. They are absolutely necessary to fit a man for the high office and important duties of a minister of the Gospel of Christ. When God created man he made him in His own likeness, and that likeness consisted in knowledge and true holiness. These constituted his glory and fitted him to be the Lord of this lower world. To sustain and promote, and extend these is the great object for which pious and liberal minded men have endowed and sustained our colleges. It was for this special object that the fathers of our Church founded Queens, now Rutgers College, and they were wise and patriotic, and pious in doing so. Happy will it be for us, their sons, if we show the same wisdom and foresight as theirs, and resolve that Rutgers College shall arise and flourish and take a commanding stand among her sister colleges in our land; that she shall not languish and wither through our neglect and penurionsness, but that by our liberal contributions she shall be firmly established, and by the blessing of God, become a shining light and glory of our Church and of our country not only during the present, but long succeeding generations.

SAMUEL B. HOW, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XIV.

PROFESSORATE.

A communication was received from Prof. William H. Campbell, D.D., of the Theological Seminary, containing notice of an intention to resign his Professorship; and also the following letter of resignation, which was referred to a Committee consisting of Rev. Isaac Ferris, S. B. How, and the Elder John A. Lott.

To the Reverend President of the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in North America:

On the 1st day of December, 1862, I gave to the proper officers the notice of my intention to resign my professorship in the Theological Seminary. And I now beg leave, in further conformity with the requirement of the Constitution, to present, through you to the General Synod, my formal resignation of the honorable and responsible office, the duties of which I have discharged for twelve full academical years.

In thus resigning, I would be very ungrateful if I did not express my great indebtedness to the Synod for the uniform kindness and consideration with which I have been treated. In the treatment I have received I have nothing to find fault with, but every thing to commend and be thankful for. In severing my connection with the Seminary I feel the deepest grief, and my prayers and efforts shall always look to its growth and welfare.

In the bonds of the Gospel your brother in Christ,

WM. H. CAMPBELL.

NEW BRUNSWICK, May 28th, 1863.

The Committee presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted unanimously:

The Committee to whom were referred the documents relating to the resignation of the Professor of Biblical Literature and Criticism in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, beg leave to recommend the following resolutions for adoption by Synod, viz:

Resolved, That the resignation of Wm. H. Campbell, D.D., be and is hereby accepted.

Resolved, That while this Synod accepts the resignation of Professor Campbell, it parts with his services with deep regret, and would record its high sense of his great ability as a Biblical instructor and his exemplary devotion to his work for twelve years, and cannot but regard the Church as greatly indebted to his careful and thorough training for its able young ministry.

Resolved, That while this Synod parts with the services of its Professor in one department, it is happy that he will occupy a position of great usefulness as President of Rutgers College, and tender him and the Trustees of the College its earnest wishes for his eminent success.

In behalf of the Committee,

ISAAC FERRIS, *Chairman*.

NEWBURGH, June 3d, 1863.

Resolved, That the salary of the Rev. Dr. Campbell, as Professor of Biblical Literature in the Seminary, be continued until the expiration of the current Seminary year on the 1st of September next.

Synod proceeded to the appointment of a Professor of Biblical Literature in the place of Rev. Prof. Campbell, whose resignation had been accepted.

A number of candidates for the Professorship were nominated.

On the succeeding day the Synod, after a season of special prayer, proceeded to elect a Professor. On counting the ballots it appeared that the Rev. Hervey D. Ganse was elected. Whereupon, it was

Resolved, unanimously, That the Rev. Hervey D. Ganse be, and hereby is, appointed Professor of Biblical Literature in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.

Resolved, That an instrument, certifying the appointment and specifying the duties of the office, be signed in the presence of the General Synod by the President thereof and by him be given in the name of the Church to the Professor elect.

Resolved, That the salary of the Professor elect be eighteen hundred dollars, with three hundred dollars for house rent per annum.

Resolved, That the President of the Synod be appointed to wait upon Rev. Hervey D. Ganse to inform him of his election, and obtain from him his decision on the subject as soon as practicable; and that he be accompanied by Rev. Isaac Ferris, Rev. William H. Steele, and Elders Sanford Cobb and John A. Lott.

The President reported that he was the bearer of a letter from Mr. Ganse, declining his appointment to the Professorship, which letter was read to the Synod.

Synod then proceeded to the appointment of a Professor of Biblical Literature.

A number of candidates for the Professorship were nominated.

On the succeeding day the Synod, after a season of special prayer,

proceeded to the election of a Professor. On counting the ballots, it appeared that Rev. John De Witt was elected. Whereupon, it was

Resolved, unanimously, That the Rev. John De Witt be, and hereby is, appointed Professor of Biblical Literature in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.

Resolved, That an instrument, certifying the appointment and specifying the duties of the office, be signed in the presence of the General Synod by the President thereof, and by him be given in the name of the Church to the Professor elect.

Resolved, That the salary of the Professor elect be eighteen hundred dollars, with three hundred dollars for house rent per annum.

Resolved, That the President be appointed to wait upon Rev. J. De Witt to inform him of his election, and obtain from him his decision; and that he be accompanied by Rev. William Reiley and R. Wells.

Rev. J. De Witt appeared in Synod and signified his acceptance of the office.

It was *Resolved*, That the Professor of Biblical Literature be inaugurated into his office on Tuesday, the 22d day of September next, at 11 o'clock A.M., in the First Reformed Dutch Church in New Brunswick; and that, in addition to the inaugural address to be delivered on that occasion by the Professor elect, the Rev. Hervey D. Ganse be, and hereby is appointed to deliver a sermon, and the Rev. Thomas De Witt to deliver a charge to the Professor; and that Rev. Charles S. Hageman be secundus to Rev. Hervey D. Ganse; and that Rev. David D. Demarest be secundus to Rev. Thomas De Witt; and that the President of the Synod preside on the occasion.

Resolved, That a Committee, consisting of Messrs. David Bishop, Johnson Letson, and Lawrence Vanderveer, be appointed to aid the Professor in his removal to New Brunswick, and that the Treasurer of the General Synod is hereby authorized to pay for the same.

The Committee to whom was referred the subject of Contingent Expenses presented a report which was accepted.

It was *Resolved*, That the whole subject of the Contingent Fund, with the documents referred to the Committee appointed to report on the subject, be referred to a Special Committee of five to report at the next meeting of General Synod.

Rev. Charles Scott and D. D. Demarest, and the Elders Jacob B. Jewett, John A. Lott, and F. J. Hosford were appointed the Committee.

The Committee on the Professorate presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on the Professorate beg leave respectfully to report :

They have carefully inspected the several papers submitted to their examination, and find with pleasure, while they record with satisfaction, that the various reports and vouchers forwarded to Synod by the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, the Board of Direction, and the Treasurer of this body, have been prepared with the greatest fullness and accuracy of statement, and thus present to the Synod and the Church a plain and ample view of the present condition of the Theological Seminary and of the funds vested for the education of pious young men preparing for the ministry of the Gospel.

The action required of this body by the papers placed in the hands of your Committee is as follows :

In the Report of the Board of Superintendents occurs the following resolution : "This Board cordially unite with the Professors in recommending to General Synod that Mr. Schlieder, in view of his age, piety, diligence, and attainments, be permitted to pursue his studies as a recognized member of the Seminary, and that a dispensation to this effect be granted by Synod."

Your Committee believing that the concurrent judgment of the Professors and Superintendents ought to rule in this case, recommend that the dispensation asked for in the above quoted resolution be granted.

From the same Report it appears that all the members of the senior class in the Seminary passed a satisfactory examination, save one, who was advised by the Board of Superintendents to remain another year in the institution. Your Committee are of opinion that the name of this person, thus found deficient, need not, for any good reason, appear in the printed Report of the Board, and advise that it be omitted from the same.

Under the head of dispensations, your Committee would state that they find an application from Mr. William M. Van Wagenen (a member of the Collegiate Church, and now a student in the Theological Seminary at Princeton), to be examined by the Classis of which he is a member, and if found qualified according to the Constitution, to be admitted to licensure without the usual Professoral certificate. This application is endorsed by the Classis of New York, and transmitted to the Synod by its stated clerk.

Your Committee would recommend, in consistency with the action of the General Synod of 1841, in reference to a similar case, that Mr. William M. Van Wagenen be permitted to appear before the Board of Superintendents of our Theological Seminary, at their next annual meeting, and be examined by them, and if

his examination be found satisfactory, they may recommend him to the Classis of New York as a candidate for licensure.

There has also been placed in the hands of your Committee an application of Mr. George A. Mills, to be admitted into the Theological Seminary, notwithstanding that he has been unable while in college to pursue the usual and full mathematical course of study. The application is endorsed by the Rev. Prof. Campbell and the South Classis of Long Island, and your Committee recommend that the permission sought be granted.

The Board of Direction ask to have their order, directing grading to be done in the rear of the College at New Brunswick, according to a municipal law of that City, confirmed, and your Committee offer the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Direction is hereby authorized to pay the expenses assessed upon the College property for grading done in the rear of the same.

A memorial signed by twenty-nine students of the Theological Seminary, praying for relief from alleged inordinate expenses required by a residence in Hertzog Hall has received due consideration.

Your Committee are of opinion, that the General Synod cannot as a body, with such limited information as it has respecting the various relations of the subject, venture to legislate definitely in the case, but would recommend that the Standing Committee on Hertzog Hall direct their attention to the matter and secure such modifications of rules and relief for the students as the condition of Hertzog Hall will warrant.

Mrs. Mary Van Vranken, Mrs. Francis Holmes and Mrs. Gansevoort Van Vranken, having presented to the library of Hertzog Hall five hundred and eighty volumes of valuable works, being a part of the library of the late Prof. Van Vranken, it is,

Resolved, That the cordial thanks of this General Synod be presented to the generous donors for their highly useful and acceptable contribution to the Theological library.

A letter from George De Forest Lord, Esq., informs the Synod that the Rev. Dr. George W. Bethune bequeathed all his books on theological and classical learning, or bearing upon these subjects, to the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, for the sole unrestricted and perpetual use of the Theological Seminary of said Church, on condition that "they put and always keep in good order, with the name of 'Bethune' printed on the back and on the inside of the front cover, which shall be done to the entire satisfaction in the first instance and approval of my dear friend, Rev. Abraham R. Van Nest, Doctor in Divinity, the Professor of Sacred Languages and the Professor in Theology for the time being in the said Seminary, and to the approval of them and their successors in office afterwards."

As Mrs. Bethune survives, the above portion of the will of her

deceased husband is nugatory ; but it is her design and intention to carry out her husband's wishes in this respect, provided the Synod is ready to comply on its part with the terms of the bequest ; we therefore offer the following :

1. *Resolved*, That the Synod learns, with grateful satisfaction, of the proposed munificent donation of Dr. Bethune's valuable theological and classical books to this Body, for the use of its Theological Seminary, by his surviving widow.

2. *Resolved*, That they will be gladly accepted on the terms proposed in the last will and testament of the late Rev. George W. Bethune, D.D., so soon as Mrs. Bethune signifies her willingness to transfer them to the possession of the Synod.

3. *Resolved*, That the Stated Clerk of the Synod be authorized and directed to send a copy of these resolutions to Mrs. Bethune, George De Forest Lord, Esq., N. Y., and also to the Rev. Abraham R. Van Nest.

4. *Resolved*, That the Stated Clerk, upon receiving the books in behalf of Synod, shall take such measures as his discretion will dictate to have all the books properly marked, according to the conditions of the gift.

A letter from Rev. Prof. Berg informs Synod that he was obliged to pay to Mrs. Van Vranken \$54 for kitchen range, wall book case, fireplace in parlor, and gratings for cellar, and asks to be reimbursed. Also, that the ceilings of several rooms are in a dangerous condition and need immediate repairs.

Your Committee offer the following :

Resolved, That the Board of Direction be, and hereby is, instructed to repair the ceilings, if in their judgment necessary, in the house occupied by Prof. Berg, and also to refund the fifty-four dollars paid by Prof. Berg to Mrs. Van Vranken.

The Classis of Michigan asks to have half its debt to the General Synod for copies of Synodical Minutes remitted, which your Committee recommend to be done.

The Treasurer of Rutgers College has presented his account of the Van Benschoten Fund without its having been audited, and your Committee would suggest the propriety of asking the Board of Direction to secure its being audited.

The Board of Superintendents state that the site of the Scudder Monument is not well adapted to secure either the symmetry of the grounds or the best effect of the Monument itself, and ask that the committee who located it be respectfully requested to remove it to a new site, to be selected by themselves in connection with the professors.

The Committee recommend that the above request be granted, and that the former committee on the Scudder Monument be authorized to carry the resolution into effect, and be requested to raise sufficient money for the purpose.

A paper has been received stating that the part of the College Buildings occupied by the Theological Professors was in such a dilapidated condition that it was necessary, for their preservation, that they should be repaired; and that fourteen hundred dollars were required for that purpose. Your Committee therefore recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Board of Direction be authorized to make such repairs on said buildings as may in their judgment be requisite.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of the General Synod be directed to make an apportionment of the above mentioned sum among the several Classes, according to the rates of distribution adopted by the Particular Synods for the raising of the amount required for the Contingent Fund of the current year; and that he notify the stated clerks of the several Classes accordingly.

Your Committee also recommend the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, That Mr. J. H. Doremus of the Theological Seminary, and Mr. E. A. Apgar of Rutgers College, New Brunswick, be recommended to the Trustees of Rutgers College to be aided by the Van Benschoten Fund.

Resolved, That Mr. Frederick E. Schleider of the Theological Seminary, be recommended to receive aid from the Knox Fund.

Respectfully submitted,

E. S. PORTER,

June 10th, 1863.

Chairman.

Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary whose term of service had expired.

Nominations were received from the Classes of Bergen, South Bergen, New Brunswick, North Long Island, South Long Island, Passaic, Poughkeepsie, Montgomery, and Geneva.

The Committee on Nominations reported a double number from which to choose members for the Classes of Albany, Michigan, South Classis of New York, Philadelphia, Raritan, and Schenectady.

The following were elected: Rev. Leopold Mohn, B. C. Taylor, J. A. Van Doren, Gabriel Ludlow, E. S. Porter, N. P. Pierce, John C. Cruikshank, C. S. Hageman, L. H. Van Dyke, I. N. Wyckoff, William Bailey, J. B. Steele, James Lefevre, Edward E. Seeley, and G. I. Van Neste for the unexpired term of J. W. Schenck.

The following were elected members of the Standing Committee of the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall: Rev. Thomas C. Strong, John W. Schenck, and John F. Mesick.

ARTICLE XV.

STUDENTS IN THEOLOGY.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVI.

CHURCH VISITATION.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVII.

PREVAILING SINS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVIII.

MISSIONS.

The Thirty-first Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was received, read and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions, with the exception of nominations to fill vacancies, which were referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

A Report from the Board of Foreign Missions on the subject of opening correspondence with the Reformed Church of France was received, read and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

A Report on the subject of ecclesiastical interests at Amoy was received from the Board of Foreign Missions.

The following resolution was adopted :

Resolved, That a Special Committee of five, consisting of three ministers and two elders, be appointed, to whom this whole matter of the Amoy Mission be referred, to report such recommendations to Synod as they in their judgment think fit for adoption, and also suggest some additional principles of administration, as may be deemed necessary for the future conduct of our Foreign Missionary operations.

Rev. E. S. Porter, C. E. Crispell, J. Garretson ; Elders, S. B. Schieffelin and P. S. Danforth, were appointed said Committee.

The Committee presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Special Committee on the Amoy Mission beg leave respectfully to report.

In endeavoring to frame a paper which may in a good degree meet the expectations and harmonize the views of the members of this General Synod, your Committee confess at the outset, that after having devoted their earnest and prayerful attention to the present embarrassed relations of the Amoy Mission to this supreme ecclesiastical judicatory of the Church, they have encountered what at first seemed to be difficulties so rigid and unmanageable as to forbid the hope of reaching a welcome and wise solution of the question under consideration.

But we have gladly remembered that where many minds, divided by honest opinions, are sincerely and humbly intent upon doing right, and only right, as in the sight of Him who weigheth all hearts, there may come to be a concord, begotten of the Holy Ghost, which shall be all the more precious because of the very ruggedness of the soil out of which it has been made to sprout, blossom, and bear the peaceful fruits of Christian unity.

Encouraged by this hope, your Committee, with no overweening confidence in the infallible rectitude of their own judgments, but seeking only the wisdom which is from above to guide, addressed themselves to the special and important duty assigned them. The members of the Committee, having been drawn by a spontaneous unanimity, to the adoption of the reasonings and conclusions presented in this Report, cannot but wish, with exceeding desire, that their own cordial agreement among themselves, touching the matters submitted to their consideration, may be an earnest of a happy unification of opinion, not only as between the members of this Synod, but also between the Synod and the brethren of the Amoy Mission. If this can be, surely there will be reason for devout thanksgiving to Him who can mould all hearts to His sovereign will; but if this cannot be, while there will be occasion for present sorrow, still we shall not forget that the Head of the Church, from His mediatorial throne, can make and will make all things work together for good to them that love Him.

It is in the judgment of your Committee necessary to a clear and faithful presentation of the whole matter in hand, to revert rapidly to some admitted principles, and to certain historic facts, which must to a degree compose the very elements out of which is to be wrought and shaped a decision, which shall apply not only to the Mission at Amoy, but which ought to control the future Missionary policy of this Church.

We begin with the assertion of principles. They are these :

1. While government cannot create a Church, yet the Church in its real and visible form cannot exist without government. For law is the order and the security of the universe as a whole, and as con-

sisting of parts, natural, divine, moral or spiritual. Government of whatever sort, in its most generic sense, is the application of laws with their appropriate sanctions both to matter and to mind—both to individuals and to communities. Where, therefore, law is suspended or annulled, government is *quoad hoc*, thereby impaired or subverted. The supreme Law-giver has ordained governments of several sorts among men. Not least among these, either in its essential character or in its wide bearings upon the interests of mankind, is that style of government which rules and regulates the affairs of the Church; for by so much as the spiritual is greater than the material and the secular, is the superiority of that organized authority which is to be exercised exclusively for the spiritual advantage of those who are subject unto it.

2. The government of the Reformed Dutch Church is a concrete and constitutional and well defined entity, instituted, as we believe, not purely by human choice, but mainly under the appointments and ordinances of the Great Head of the Church Himself. What its characteristics are may be learned from the New Testament, from history, from its Constitution, and from the enactments of successive Synods. To all these characteristics, whatever they may be, all its baptized members, all its communicants, and all its ordained ministers are pledged by vows most solemn and by sacraments divine.

3. No government can, voluntarily, relinquish its powers and abnegate its authority without thereby inviting disorder, disquietude and, in the end, its destruction. Under an ecclesiastical government, there is allowed, indeed, a wide liberty as to things indifferent, but the Holy Scriptures are tenacious of essential principles, and as principles furnish the life blood of all organizations, so it has been adjudged necessary to maintain its fundamental principles, provided there be any honest intention to maintain the government based upon them.

The truths embodied in the three preceding postulates are convictions in the mind of our Church, hardly separable in idea from its very existence. They are old truths maintained through blood and flame; transmitted from generation to generation, and never felt to be more precious than now, when in an age of intense individualism there prevails a so wide spread disposition to disregard the metes and bounds of both civil and ecclesiastical authority.

With its self-conscious and proclaimed convictions in the scriptural purity and excellence of its government, the Reformed Dutch Church, in this land, early entered upon the first and chief work of a Christian Church, viz: that of evangelizing the heathen. It did not indeed undertake to propagate a polity, but an evangelical system of truth. Nevertheless, it was from the beginning the cherished belief of the fathers of our Church, that their ecclesiastical polity was so necessary, both to the propagation and the preservation of the "truth as it is in Jesus," that to the extent of their ability they sent the one with the other. What crown of honor has been awarded a

policy so faithful and consistent, let the history and present condition of the Reformed Dutch Church in America bear witness.

While other communions have been rent with dissensions within, and have been staggered by assailing blows from without, it is not to be denied that our strength has come from an unflinching and unfaltering adherence to our doctrines, our customs, our usages and our liberal and wise Constitution. The steady and solid growth of this Church here has resulted from no flashes of enthusiasm, from no improvised measures of administration, from no thoughtless imitation of alluring novelties, but by marching on in the old paths, observing the landmarks directed by an approved experience, and cheered by an assuring faith in the word and providence of God. This simple loyalty to old traditions, written law and established doctrine, has made this Church a great power, not so much by reason of its numerical force as because of its unquestioned and unquestionable Presbyterian purity of administration, and its rigid and inflexible adherence to the old faith of the apostles and martyrs. When the compact was formed between the Synod of this Church and the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, there was no disposition evinced on the part of the Synod to abandon its ecclesiastical prerogatives. And so, by the very terms of the compact, it was expressly stipulated that the Synod's Board of Foreign Missions should not only first receive and then recommend men for Missionary fields to the American Board, but that these men should, when in heathen lands, report to the Board of their own Church.

We can only speak in the warmest manner of the happy coöperation in the Missionary work for foreign parts, which through many years united the prayers and the alms of this Church with the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Yet it should not be forgotten that the compact named, was never acceptable to very many sagacious and influential men of our communion. Not that they did not love union, but because they believed that every Church, if it had any right to exist, was bound to do its own work in its own way. So avoiding complications, in order that peace and love might both abound, they thought that the several denominations should all move in their respective orbits around the Sun of righteousness. And this has now come to be the common and adopted faith of all the leading evangelical members of the great Christian system. The substantial unity is not less, though the division of labor be more incisive and distinct.

While conducting our foreign Missionary work in conjunction with the American Board, Amoy was first visited by the ever to be loved and honored David Abeel. His visit there was soon followed by the regular establishment of a Mission, consisting of Ministers of the Reformed Dutch Church with their families. Of the successive and individual laborers in that field we need not speak, but of their aggregate work it is not too much to say, that it has been characterized by a truly apostolic zeal, perseverance, energy, and success. The

Missionaries there have endeared their names to the whole Christian world, and especially to that Household of Faith of which they are loved and honored members. They have never been forgotten in our prayers, nor in our thanksgivings, nor in the distribution of our pious gifts. No words at our command can tell what fond and flaming sympathies have overleaped broad oceans and bound them and us together.

" Words, like nature, half reveal
And half conceal the soul within."

And so it must be left to the blessed intimacies of that communion, which the mercy seat secures and hallows, to disclose how much and how well the Church and her faithful Missionaries at Amoy have loved and trusted each other. Years have augmented their mutual confidence, while the labor of faith, on one hand, and the generous gifts of gratified expectation, on the other, have bound them together in ties which, it is hoped, nothing will be allowed to sunder.

In the year 1857 the General Synod, with a unanimity which seemed to have been inspired by an immediate divine influence, resolved in future to conduct its own Foreign Missionary work separate from that of the American Board. The following action was then taken respecting the Mission at Amoy :

" 1. *Resolved*, That the Synod view with great pleasure the formation of Churches among the converts from heathenism, organized according to the established usages of our branch of Zion.

" 2. *Resolved*, That the brethren at Amoy be directed to apply to the Particular Synod of Albany to organize them into a Classis so soon as they shall have formed Churches enough to render the permanency of such organization reasonably certain."

When this action was transmitted to Amoy the brethren there, on its receipt, felt that there were then no circumstances favoring an immediate organization of a Classis. But, in the interval, there have grown to be six organized Churches—three of which are under the care of the English Presbyterian Mission, and three others under our own Missionaries. These six Churches have grown up together, under such an interchange and community of labor on the part of our own Missionaries and on the part of those belonging to the English Presbyterian Church, that all are said to have a two fold ecclesiastical relation—one with England—one with America—and still a third and economical and domestic relation among themselves, which is covered and controlled by what is styled, "The Great Presbyterial or Classical Council of Amoy."

From this general statement these particulars result :

1st. That while this Chinese Presbyterial or Classical Council is itself an autonomy—having the right to ordain ministers, exercise discipline, and do whatever else a "self-regulating Classis" or Presbytery can or may do, still the whole in England is claimed to be

the Presbytery of Amoy, and to this Synod it is reported as the Classis of Amoy.

2d. The Missionaries, while they are members of this Grand Presbyterian or Classical Council, exercising full ministerial functions in it, are, at the same time, members either of Classes in America or of Presbyteries in Great Britain.

3d. That while the Churches, three at least, are organized under and according to the Constitution of our Church, it is, nevertheless, claimed that the members of said Churches are not any more members of the Reformed Dutch Church here than they are members of the Presbyterian Church of England.

No Classis has, as yet, been formed at Amoy, in accordance with the resolution of 1857, nor has any effort or steps been taken toward the formation of one, and the reasons for a non-effort of this sort are to be found in the preceding statement of the mixed and anomalous character and relations of the Churches and Missionaries there.

Your Committee can easily understand how reluctantly our Missionaries may have been, or may still be, to disturb, or alter, or modify the relations of the Churches at Amoy. But they conceive it to be their duty to say that feeling should never be allowed to take the place of conscience, nor to discharge its functions, and so long as our Missionaries claim to be subordinate to the authority of the General Synod, they should allow this body to assume the responsibility of its chosen and deliberate policy.

Is that policy right? Already we have laid down some general principles which in part answer this question. But we have purposely reserved for this place the presentation of another and perhaps the more practical part of the answer.

For five years past, with resources augmented far beyond those of previous years, both as it respects money and men, this Church has carried forward its Missionary work with heightened zeal and enlarging desires. It has reinforced Arcot and Amoy. It has entered Japan and organized a Church there.

Nor is this all; the Missionary spirit has exhibited its presence and influence among the young men of our Seminary, leading them in greater numbers than before to offer their services for the foreign work. These signs of cheer have, as is generally thought, proved conclusively that, so soon as the Church had resolved to arise and work in its place and measure, with all its might, for the grand object of prophecy and of promise, even the conversion of the whole world to the Lord Jesus Christ—then neither means nor men were withheld.

Under these admitted tokens of Divine encouragement it is not too much to say, that not only is the welfare of the Churches of Amoy involved, but the whole question, in all its magnitude of our future Missionary efforts and successes, comes up in connection with the case in hand, and requires now a careful, earnest, and Christian adjudication.

Your Committee are unable to see how it will be possible to carry the sympathies and the liberalities of the Church, with an increasing tide of love and sacrifice in support of our Missionary work, if it once be admitted as a precedent, or established as a rule, that our Missionaries may be allowed to form abroad whatever combinations they may choose, and aid in creating ecclesiastical authorities which supercede the authorities which commissioned them and now sustain them.

One of the controlling reasons which influenced the Synod of 1857 to declare the gathered convictions of the Church in favor of distinct denominational effort to prosecute the work of Foreign Missions, was this, beyond doubt, viz : that the Dutch Church might regard her Missions and Missionary Churches as the objects of maternal and fostering care, and receive from them that direct reflex influence which would incite her to ever-increasing exertions to extend abroad the kingdom of grace and truth.

Your Committee are of opinion that they have now condensed into a brief compass the principles and the facts which ought to govern in the formation of the conclusion to which the Synod is now required to come, respecting the conduct of its Foreign Missionary operations not only at Amoy, but wherever in the present or in the future such operations are or may be.

Yet a just candor, and a large practical sympathy should always oblige an acknowledgment of whatever difficulties may hinder the application of general rules to specific circumstances. And as it is not to be denied that, at least until a very recent period, our brethren at Amoy have not, in their judgment, found it practicable to conform to the resolutions of 1857, in the organization of a Classis, your Committee are confident that no censure, either expressed or implied, should be pronounced upon them, but rather praise for having taken prudent and sufficient measures, both by correspondence and by the eloquent voice of one of their own number, to lay their matters fully before this Body for the purpose of receiving definite additional instructions.

Your Committee do not see any propriety in reënacting the law of 1857 already quoted, because it has never been repealed, and remains, therefore, in full force and virtue. Nor, if the reasoning in this Report be correct, would they have that law repealed, believing, as they do, that the principle contained in it is essential to the success of our Missionary operations in foreign parts, and to the wholesome liberality of the Church at home. The Committee are not prepared, however, to recommend that any violent and coercive resolutions should be adopted for the purpose of constraining our brethren in Amoy to a course of procedure which would rudely sunder the brotherly ties that unite them with the Missionaries of the Presbyterian Church. But a Christian discretion will enable them, on the receipt of the decision of the present Synod, in this matter now under consideration, to take such initial steps as are necessary to the speedy formation of a Classis. Much must be left to their discre-

tion, prudence, and judgment. But of the wish and expectation of this Synod, to have their action conform, as soon as may be, to the resolutions of 1857, your Committee think the brethren at Amoy should be distinctly informed. They, therefore, offer the following :

1. *Resolved*, That the General Synod having adopted and tested its plan of conducting Foreign Missions, can see no reason for abolishing it, but, on the contrary, believe it to be adapted to the promotion of the best interests of the Foreign Missionary Churches, and of the denomination supporting them.

2. That the Board of Foreign Missions be and hereby is instructed to send to our Missionaries at Amoy a copy or copies of this Report, as containing the well considered deliverance of the Synod, respecting their present relations and future duty.

3. That the Secretary of the Foreign Board be and hereby is directed to send to the Rev. Dr. Hamilton, of London, convener of the Presbyterian Committee, a copy of this Report, with a copy of the action of 1857, and that he inform him by letter of the wishes and expectations of the Synod respecting the ecclesiastical relations which this body desires its Churches in Amoy to sustain to it.

Praying that the Head of the Church may grant us all the wisdom we need, to guide us to such conclusions as will advance His cause, we submit this Report to the disposal of the Synod.

ELBERT S. PORTER,
Chairman.

The Thirty-first Annual Report of the Board of Domestic Missions was presented, read, and so much as refers to nominations was referred to the Committee on Nominations; so much as relates to Sabbath schools, to the Special Committee on that subject.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions was presented and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee to whom was referred the Thirty-first Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions, submit the following as their Report to the General Synod :

While each past year of our Missionary operations has furnished causes of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church in the evidences of His presence and blessing, much more may we say this of the year now closed. During its entire progress we have been called to record the divine kindness towards our brethren abroad and on our work at home. The Report which has been read before the Synod, is both a monument of the favor of the Master and a confirmation of

the wisdom of the Synod, which six years since brought the responsibility of this vast work directly home to the hearts of our people.

The *Arcot Mission in India* has shown a vigor of effort and an expansiveness in their plans of diffusing a knowledge of the way of salvation which is most grateful. Their field is wide. They occupy it alone, and its full cultivation is very much on the hearts of the brethren. Besides the occupancy of the posts which have been reported in former years, their movement towards the entrance on a more southerly ground has been signally blest, while the more recent advance into the Telugu speaking country northward, with its population nearly two-thirds that of our own country, is full of promise. To this part of their field the brethren most beseechingly call the attention of the Church. It would be most blessed if we could at once reinforce the active laborers there.

Dr. Silas Scudder's addition to the preaching force of the Mission has been a happy event, and his destination to the Telugu people meets a deeply felt want. His consecration to the ministerial office completes the engagement of the seven sons of the late Dr. Jno. Scudder—his all, to a work on which his heart was set, and to which his life and prayers were given.

Disappointment has been felt by the Mission because its medical department was not established in the mode which they originally contemplated. But valuable as it would thus have been, the very narrow resources of the Board made the action which was adopted a necessity.

It is very gratifying to observe how the young men of the Arcot Seminary are beginning to take an active part in the Missionary service with our brethren. Such an agency will be every year on the increase, and its usefulness may well call out the liberality of the Churches specifically for the enlargement of the Seminary.

The *Amoy Mission in China*, so favored in years passed, still enjoys the sunshine of the divine favor. The working force of the Mission has not been as large as in the preceding year, owing to the necessary absence of Mr. Ostrom and his wife for a time, in consequence of the ill health of the latter, together with a short absence of Mr. Kip, and the return of Mr. Talmage to this country, whom we have had the privilege of welcoming among us, and to our councils. Still we can rejoice with our brethren in the increase of their Churches—in the possession of a spot in Chiang-chiu, with its 700,000, where they may preach Christ and Him crucified, and whence they may send out their native colporteur and Bible distributor to every corner of it. We can scarcely attach too much importance to the beginning which has here been made. Our brethren are working in happy coöperation with other Missionaries, and especially those of the English Presbyterian Society, whose Board of Directors has shown special kindness to our Mission.

It is particularly noticeable how wonderfully successful have been the efforts of our brethren in training and developing an active native agency, thus meeting wants they could not personally supply, and

bringing in contact with the heathen mind the influence of their own converted, Christianized countrymen. The returns to their labors already reaped are but the first fruits of a great harvest. We are not aware that any other Mission in China has been favored with such a band of native co-laborers. When there is added a band of native preachers well qualified by divine grace, and taught their proper work, what may we not anticipate?

The *Japan Mission* presents all the encouragement to our hope which could be expected in its brief history. The brethren have been industriously engaged in what is, and must be for some time yet preparatory work, and as early as the open door shall invite will be ready to proclaim to the natives a pure Gospel, and teach their children the way of salvation. It cannot be long ere the liberal policy towards other nations will become definitely fixed in the public mind, and then we may look for enlarged and active movements in the direction we desire.

Our indebtedness, in common with other Christians, to the deep interest and the watchful care of the American representatives in Japan, calls for our warmest acknowledgments. The present Minister, one of our own sons, has spared no pains in cherishing American Missionaries.

The movement of American merchants for the establishment of a Christian Church for their own benefit and that of others, who, speaking the English language, will locate at Yokohama, is truly remarkable and praiseworthy. It is a model movement, and had it been made every where, as commercial pursuits have called our countrymen to congregate in heathen lands, it would have saved many from a downward career, and secured a far different representation of Christianity from that which has been an obstacle in the way of the Missionary. Our Board, in the circumstances of the case, have wisely agreed to grant to this truly Christian enterprise a share of the services of Rev. Mr. Brown, until his special Missionary work shall require all his time.

While this general review seems called for, there are some particular topics which claim special consideration, and to which the attention of Synod is solicited.

1. *Expansion.* It will be impossible to stop at our present point of attainment. The holding of what we have already acquired is inseparably connected with pressing on. But when we add to this the fact that what has been done prepares the way for more easy and effectual movement, and, above all, that the providence of God clearly calls us onward, we should not hesitate. We see, in the present openings offered us, the answer to our constant prayer and what can we expect if we neglect to improve them? This foreign Missionary work is the fair outgiving of our Church life, of all we cherish in our Sabbath schools and our concerts of prayer, and our songs of praise. We cannot withhold ourselves without a blighting reaction on our spirituality—our vital energy. The out-gushing of a warm

Christian love for those ready to perish, expands and elevates and gives a blessed tone to our piety, and its precious influence is diffused over and is infused into every other good work.

It should be borne in mind that what has been done by our Churches has not been a burden to any. There have been no sacrifices made. There has been no real self-denial. Scarcely any one has given to this work the amount of the commonest gratifications of life. Let us go on to do until we *feel* what we give, and all that is required will be secured.

2. The *Mode of Effort* is of special moment. Our Board report a gratifying relief from the financial pressure which filled them with anxiety and distress. How was it relieved? Not strictly by the movement of the whole Church, but by the cheerful liberality of a small number of our brethren and sisters in the Lord. To them our thanks are due and are tendered. We know that it has been a pleasure to them to come to our help, but we ought not to be left to such special calls. And there will be no need for it if every minister shall systematically and perseveringly keep the cause before his people in its proper relations to other benevolent works. Give the opportunity and there will be a ready response by the people. Systematic benevolence is the true training process for every Church, while its aggregate results, even though made up of small individual gifts, cannot fail in meeting all just claims. Spasmodic effort constitutes no reliance—can give no ground for calculating what may be undertaken.

3. *Sabbath School and Children's contribution*, we are happy to see, has most pleasantly increased, and we trust will much more increase. We see every where in the Churches, in our own and other Christian lands, a special attention given to the children. The teaching them to give in love to the needy and miserable is an important part of the training they need. The warm sympathy it cherishes; the check on the selfish tendencies of our nature which it exercises; the valuation of money as a means of usefulness, especially, which it teaches; the sense of obligation to Jesus Christ to do good as we have opportunity, which it interweaves with all acquisitions; its cultivation of the heart; indicate the soundest philosophy as well as the truest Christianity in education. We have some noble examples among our schools, while we may particularize the Greenwich Church, N. Y., Youth's Missionary Association as worthy of all praise. While the boats their liberality has furnished float in the Bay of Amoy, or carry their precious freight into the adjacent rivers and along the coast, will they be thankfully remembered, but the influence of their example will never be lost.

4. The preparation of a *Christian Literature* is becoming more important with every year. An excellent beginning has been made. It is, however, only a beginning. We must, through the press, secure a supply to the Heathen in their own tongue of many of those

choice tracts and works which we enjoy at home, as well as of original productions by the Missionaries. They will go where the Missionary cannot. They will abide to do a good work when he has departed. In the case of our Mission to Japan we may expect to find a necessity for Christian works, very sudden and very large when it does come. The outlay will of course be large, but can be readily met. Your Committee feel that it is desirable that our Board of Publication be linked in with this work, not in the preparation of books in a heathen tongue, but in the disbursement of funds to our Missions for that purpose. Our Churches furnish thousands of dollars annually to the American Tract Society for their great and excellent work, part of which is done for the Heathen. The proportion, however, granted to our Missions is so small, owing to the numerous calls on them probably, that other income must be applied, even though it can ill be spared, and though it does not belong to publication. It seems therefore very proper that a fair proportion of our church receipts should go into the hands of our Board of Publication for the use of our foreign publishing work, and the American Tract Society be so far relieved.

5. The *Missionary Recorder* is to be regarded as a most efficient agency in our work, conducted, as it is, with great judgment, bringing the Church into intimate relations with our Missionaries, and furnishing fresh intelligence every month, it should be the most welcome messenger to our pastors and people. Knowing its value, it is painful to your Committee to see a diminished number issued, and that in so many of our Churches not a copy is taken by pastor or Church. Brethren should view it as their best auxiliary in developing the benevolent character of their people, and furnishing to themselves most ample means for their monthly concerts. The cost to the Churches is very small—decidedly below that to the Board. It is not a source of revenue and was not intended to be, but has always been regarded as an agent abiding in the families of our people—a substitute for the presence of the missionary personally—speaking his very words and opening his heart to them. A very small amount of effort only is necessary to keep it in circulation in every Church.

6. *Health Houses* have become with almost all Missionary associations objects of special interest. Located on elevated ground, in healthful regions, they furnish to the laboring Missionary a retreat from the exhausting heats of eastern climates, and a nursing place when the evidences of disease, which may be fatal, show themselves. Even at home the pastor feels the need of occasional release from the toils of his office, and by common consent has it granted to him during a portion of the summer. Many a faithful laborer is thus preserved to a loving people, and they consequently reap the benefit of his recuperated strength. Much more might the same favor be secured to the Missionary where during all seasons there is far less to cherish the physical man.

It is believed that many a man on the foreign field has broken down beyond recovery for the want of a retreat to which he might resort when he felt his strength yielding. Such establishments might be sustained at a reasonable expense when once provided, and would be occupied almost constantly by one or another of a full Mission located amid a heathen population. Even there the Missionary might perform a lighter service.

This is a noble subject for individual benevolence. We trust some may be found in our Churches whose sympathies for the Missionary and love for his work, will give the Board the means of securing one health house or sanitarium, for each Mission. The cost for each would not exceed \$3,000. The Board have encouraged brethren of the Arcot Mission that we might be able to take off their hands a house which they themselves bought for this purpose, deeming it so important.

7. *Reports of the Boards of the Church.*—The Committee deem it important to call the attention of the Synod to the propriety of having a copy of the Annual Report of each Board stitched with the Minutes of General Synod, and thus distributed as one book. These Reports are the property of the Synod, and belong to its annual work, and make up the history of each year. Each of them is printed at the expense of the Board whose year work they record.

In such a collection of Church documents it is assumed that every minister, and not only ministers but many of our elders and laymen would feel an interest, as each may thus, in the best form, preserve what shall be in fact a current history of the Church.

The Committee recommend the appended resolutions for adoption by the Synod :

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod tender to their Missionary brethren their warmest congratulations on the work of the year now closed, and unite with them in thanksgiving to the Almighty God for His blessings so richly bestowed on them.

2. *Resolved*, That this Synod have heard with great gratification of the increased interest of our Sabbath schools in the schools connected with our Missions, and the support of native teachers.

3. *Resolved*, That the thanks of this Synod are due, and are hereby tendered to J. W. Baker, our late Treasurer, for his services so kindly and ably given to our financial matters.

4. *Resolved*, That the Churches be earnestly requested so to increase their collections for the Board of Publication, as to enable that Board to aid the Missions of our Church in printing and circulating tracts and other works in heathen countries.

5. *Resolved*, That the first week of January, 1864, be devoted as a season of prayer for the outpouring of the divine blessing on Missions throughout the world.

6. *Resolved*, That the Reports of each of our Boards, when

printed, be done up with the Minutes of Synod, and thus distributed through the Churches.

7. *Resolved*, That this Synod affectionately urge on the Ministers and Churches to supply themselves with the *Missionary Recorder*.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee.

ISAAC FERRIS,
Chairman.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those of the Board of Foreign Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Rev. James Eells, William H. Steele, John Dewitt, N. E. Smith, J. Romeyn Berry, Mr. Sandford Cobb, Jr., Alvan B. Preston, Jonathan Sturges.

The Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted, amended, and adopted:

The Committee on Domestic Missions respectfully report:

The papers placed in our hands are the Report of the Treasurer, and a part of the Report of the Board of Domestic Missions, with an appendix by the Corresponding Secretary, and a resolution relating to the prosecution of the work of Missions in the West.

From these documents we learn of the *Finances of the Board*, of the *Laborers*, their *work and success*, of the *feelings* of the Church toward the Domestic work, and of the *Church Building Fund*.

OF THE FINANCES OF THE BOARD.

It must not be forgotten that the year ending April 30th, 1862, was begun with a debt of \$1,673 53. The whole amount received during the same time is \$15,586 26, which is \$554 44 less than the receipts of the year preceding. The amount of the *contributions by the Churches*, however, was about \$500 *more* than that of the preceding year, the receipts from *bequests* being *less*.

The debt of the Board at the beginning of the current year, May 1st, 1863, was \$2,365. This debt has been fully liquidated.

The principal and interest of the bequest of Miss Arabella Bosworth have been expended, and thus her trust has been fully expended.

In the financial condition of the Board we cannot fail to see cause for much thankfulness, especially when we reflect upon the extraordinary calls which our beloved country is making upon our citizens.

OF THE LABORERS, THEIR WORK, AND SUCCESS.

There have been connected with the Board during the year past 58 Missionaries and Missionary Pastors. Of these 39 have labored

in the East, and 19 in the West. Of these the Board say: "The Missionaries in the employ of the Board have stood to their posts with singular fidelity; their health, through the Divine favor, has been almost marvelously preserved; so that, with only here and there an exception, the people who are, in part or altogether dependent upon us for spiritual bread, have received their supplies stately and without interruption." These men thus favored of the Lord have aided 70 Churches and Missions; 50 in the East and 20 in the West. Three of the Churches aided have become self-sustaining; five new Churches have been organized; four new houses of worship have been "completed and entered;" two more are in process of erection. 434 persons have been received as church members; 280 on the confession of their faith, and 154 by certificate. The number of members in our Mission Churches is 4,301. The number of families 3,167. These Churches have contributed during the year, for Domestic Missions, \$473; to other benevolent objects, \$819 42.

In some portions of the field there have been special showers of quickening and reviving grace. Your Board make mention of special religious interest at Wolcott, Lysander, and Spottswood.

The Rev. A. Du Bois has retired from the office of Corresponding Secretary of the Board. His resignation was accepted with deep reluctance by the Board, for he had "endeared himself to them and to the Churches by his untiring devotion to the Missionary work for three years." In this feeling your Committee, and doubtless the whole Synod, share, while they also rejoice that the office is again filled by one so well qualified for it as is his successor.

For the names of the Churches which have become self-sustaining, the congregations which have erected church edifices, and the other changes which have occurred among the Missionaries, we refer to the Report of the Board.

In the "almost marvelous preservation" of the health of our Missionaries, in their "singular fidelity," and in the measure of success given them, especially in view of our civil state, we find abundant reason for special thankfulness to the Head of the Church.

AS TO OUR WORK IN THE WEST,

We have already noted the fact, that, of the 58 Missionaries and Missionary Pastors, 39 are employed in the East, and 19 in the West; also, that of the 70 Churches and Missions aided, 50 are in the East, and 20 in the West. Your Committee would again remind the Board, that it has, for years, been the expressed desire of the Church to give special attention, and care, and labor to the western field. Here it is that extension is most practicable, and indeed most desirable. Our government, eminently conservative, is peculiarly adapted to that field, as it respects both popularity and usefulness, and marked success has crowned our labors there. Nowhere have our educational interests flourished so much as in the West, or been so helpful to the Church; no where do our men need deeper sym-

thy, and warmer and more cordial support from our whole body ; no where do we have more self-denying laborious men ; and no field will call forth more prompt and liberal contributions from our Churches. Upon these points there is scarcely room for difference of opinion. Let the Synod, then, continue to keep the cause of Christ in the West before the Churches. We offer the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this Synod, the best interests of the Church and of the country require us, as a denomination, to give greater encouragement to our Missionaries in the West, and to prosecute our work there with increased vigor and liberality.

2. *Resolved*, That the visitation of the Particular Synod of the West by delegates from the Particular Synods of the East meets with the decided approval of this Body ; and that these delegates be recommended to express to that Synod not only our fraternal regards, but our especial interest in work in which they are engaged in the West.

3. *Resolved*, That the Board of Domestic Missions be directed to devote as much of their strength to this subject as can be made consistent with the whole work given them to do.

With gratitude we record that *the feelings of the Church towards the Domestic work* are improving. "There is," the Board say, "a manifest growing attachment of the Church to her Domestic Missionary operations, and the deepening sentiment among intelligent Christians that the very life of the Church is in her extension. The indications are, that, as a body, our people are gradually coming up nearer to their responsibilities."

The commission of Rev. A. Mattice, as an itinerant Missionary to Wisconsin, was effected mainly through the large liberality of a lady of Philadelphia, formerly of Broome street Church, New York. Two individuals, whose praise is in all the Churches, pledged \$750 towards the liquidation of the debt of the Board ; the Church of Brooklyn Heights, \$800 ; when other individuals and some Churches secured the desirable result. The number of Churches which have fixed times for collections for the Board is increasing. "The Secretary bears testimony to a most cordial reception in all places where his duty has called him ; and instead of finding it an ungracious task to ask for money, as he had anticipated, the most pleasing evidence has been furnished that the evangelization of this country lies near to the hearts of both our pastors and their congregations, and those who labor for this end are heartily welcomed to their pulpits."

For these things, too, let us thank God and take courage.

THE CHURCH BUILDING FUND

We cannot too strongly commend to our Churches. The Board seeks for no alteration or modification of its plan. They simply ask for it more efficiency by its increase. There has been added to the

Fund during the last year, from collections of 67 Churches, \$1,551 51. This sum, with other moneys of individual donations and the return of investments, has saved the churches of Battle Creek, Bushnell, and South Bend to our denomination. "There are now promising Missions ready to put forth exertions for houses of worship, and will do their utmost as soon as the hope of aid can be given from this Fund." Hundreds, yea thousands of dollars have been, and will continue to be lost to our denomination for the want of the efficiency of this important branch of the Church's instrumentalities. How long shall this state of things exist? When will the whole Church awake to the importance of this instrumentality? Your Committee scarcely know "the way to reach the hearts and purses of our people proportionate to the claims of this Fund." We commend to the Synod the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That we cordially reaffirm the expressions of the last Synod regarding the Church Building Fund.

2. *Resolved*, That we call the attention of the several Classes to this subject, and earnestly request them to urge this subject upon their respective Churches in order to secure an annual collection for this Fund.

We add the comparative table of operations and results:

	1862.	1863.
Churches and Missions aided.....	70	70
" " " at the East.....	49	50
" " " at the West.....	21	20
Missionaries and Missionary Pastors.....	65	58
" " " at the East.....	45	39
" " " at the West.....	20	19
Churches become self-sustaining.....	6	8
New Churches organized.....	4	5
New Houses of Worship completed and entered.....	2	4
" " " in progress.....	2	2
Person received to Church membership.....	642	494
" " on Confession of Faith.....	485	280
" " by Certificate.....	207	154
Number of Members in Mission Churches.....	4,483	4,201
" Families.....	3,321	3,167
" Sabbath Schools.....	80	78
" Scholars.....	5,825	5,240
Contributed by Mission Churches to Domestic Missions.....	\$584	\$473
" " to other benevolent objects.....		\$819 43
Receipts of the Treasury.....	\$16,140 70	\$15,586 26
Receipts of City Missionary Society.....	\$2,446 80	\$1,868 50
Indebtedness of Board May 1st, 1863.....		\$2,305 00

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. CRISPELL,
Chairman.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Domestic Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Rev. William Reiley, D. McL. Quackenbush, Jacob West, Messrs. D. W. Geer, John I. Brower, William B. Crosby, B. C. Miller, J. N. Stearns.

ARTICLE XIX.

WIDOW'S FUND.

Reports were received from Rev. Alexander McKelvy, agent of the Classis of Paramus for the Widow's Fund; Rev. Charles S. Hageman, D.D., agent of the Classis of Poughkeepsie, and Rev. John L. Chapman, agent of the South Classis of Bergen, and referred to the Committee on the Widow's Fund.

A communication in regard to the Widow's Fund was received from the South Classis of Bergen, which was referred to the Committee on the Widow's Fund.

A communication was received from Rev. Enoch Van Aken on the subject of the Widow's Fund, and was referred to the Committee on the Widow's Fund.

The Committee on the Widow's Fund presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on the Widow's Fund would respectfully Report : the only papers referred to the Committee :

1st. The Report of the Board of Direction, showing the present condition and management of the Fund, and giving the following statistics :

Principal	\$19,089 88
Income from Churches, &c.....	1,135 43
Withdrawn	1,180 00
Number of subscribers.....	45
Amount distributed.....	\$104 00

2d. Several reports from Classical agents, stating the results of their labors and the difficulties they have to contend with.

3d. An offer from the Rev. E. Van Aken to become one of 200, to give the amount necessary to raise the principal of the Fund to \$100,000.

From these papers it appears evident that the Fund has reached its lowest point of depression and failure, and already feels the reviv-

ing influence of renewed confidence in its stability and efficiency. Notwithstanding the many who have withdrawn—reducing the number of paying subscribers to 45—the principal has steadily increased, and is now within a few dollars of \$20,000, and while the claimants of the Fund have been forsaking it, it has received more liberal contributions from the Churches and individuals than in any previous year. The large number of withdrawals has no doubt been occasioned by the prospect of the organic change about to be made in the condition and administration of the Fund. But these withdrawals, while they lessen the amount received by the annuitants for the present year, decidedly improve their prospects for the future, as by this means a smaller number of claimants have the benefit of a large capital. It is now apparent that if the amendments adopted by the Synod of 1861, and sanctioned by the various members of the Fund, be carried out in its management, the principal can never become less, but must go on steadily increasing, and therefore producing a larger income from year to year. It is further evident that when the withdrawals entirely cease (and it is believed they have now reached their limit of retrogression and will soon begin to return), that the amount distributed will always be considerable, and may soon reach the maximum of appropriation—as one half of the annual payments and the whole of the interest of the Permanent Fund is set apart for that purpose. Thus both the principal and the income must gradually and steadily increase, and then with an increasing number of subscribers and the restored confidence and enlarged liberality of the Churches, it cannot fail to realize the hopes asserted by its earlier success, and to fulfil the promise of its original foundation.

But still this Fund, as now constituted, must continue to be a limited expedient for the relief of the aged and disable minister, and the families of deceased ministers in our Church. Its benefits can only extend to those who make their annual payments, which the inability of some, and the adverse views of others, prevent many from doing.

It is certainly desirable to have a Fund that shall meet the necessities of the whole Church, that shall extend relief to every minister and bereaved family that has need of it. If this Fund can be so enlarged and so appropriated, there can be no doubt but that the Churches and liberal individuals in them, would at once come to its help, with a determination to maintain and carry it forward to its ample endowment.

Why cannot every Classis imitate the example of the Classis of Paramus, and place upon their record the resolution to raise annually, and from year to year, an aggregate amount sufficient to constitute and continue, each and every pastor of the Classis, a member of the Widow's Fund, and entitled to its maximum benefits?

If this could be done by every Classis, our whole ministry would

be interested in it and the income of the Fund would be sufficient to meet all its liabilities.

If in addition to this, there could be a cordial response to the offer of Mr. Rev. E. Van Aken, to be one of 200 subscribers to raise \$100,000, to be unconditionally added to the capital, this Fund, undervalued, despised, and rejected as it has been by some, would soon regain its proud preëminence, and open its gates as a city of refuge to the widow and orphan in their affliction, and extend its fostering care to the aged and disabled ministers of the whole Church.

Your Committee firmly believe that the Fund can be so enlarged and so administered as to accomplish these most desirable results, and they most earnestly call upon the ministry and the Churches to give it their countenance, their approbation, and their cordial support.

Your Committee would offer the following resolutions :

1. That this Synod has undiminished confidence in the stability and ultimate efficiency of the Widow's Fund, as now constituted.

2. That we recommend and sanction the amendments approved by the Synod in 1861, and hereby authorize the Board of Direction to administer the Fund in accordance with these provisions.

Resolved, That we heartily approve of the liberal offer of one of our ministers to be one of 200 subscribers to raise \$100,000 to be added to the Widow's Fund, and earnestly recommend his example to the ministry and the Churches.

Resolved, That we recommend to the Classes to continue the plan of Classical agencies, and so arrange it, that every Church within their bounds may be appealed to and urged to greater liberalities in sustaining this fund.

Resolved, That we cordially endorse the resolution of the Classis of Paramus, and hope that their example will secure an interest in this Fund to every minister in the Reformed Dutch Church.

A paper was referred to your Committee from the Classis of South Bergen, requesting General Synod to appoint a committee of three members to visit the Churches of our denomination for the purpose of awakening their attention to the Widow's Fund. Your Committee would merely observe in reference to this subject, that General Synod has already established a system of Classical agencies, which, as far as it has been carried out, has proved itself useful and efficient. This is a gratuitous agency, and enables the Churches to do their own work and take care of their own interests in this Fund, and therefore seem to render a general agent unnecessary.

Respectfully submitted,

RANSFORD WELLS,
Chairman.

ARTICLE XX.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Ninth Annual Report of the Board of Publication was received, read, and so much as relates to nominations was referred to the Committee on Nominations; so much as relates to Sabbath schools was referred to the Special Committee on that subject; and the remainder to the Committee on Publication.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Publication was received and referred to the Committee on Publication.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those members of the Board of Publication whose term of office has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected, Rev. T. W. Chambers, D. D. Demarest, A. R. Thompson, Messrs. Thomas Jeremiah, Jacob R. Wortendyke, Ten Eyck Sutphen, James Anderson, William Wood, John A. Lott, Milton St. John.

The Committee on Publication presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee to whom were referred the papers relating to the Board of Publication, beg leave to report as follows:

It is gratifying to learn that the importance of the operations of the Board of Publication is becoming more and more fully understood and appreciated. This has been made apparent by the progress of the past, and renders the prospect of the future cheering.

I.—PROGRESS.

The proofs of the healthful progress of this department of our ecclesiastical activity are as follows:

1. Notwithstanding the loss of time from removal to the new premises in Fulton street, the sales at the Depository have been larger than at any previous period in the history of the Board, while, at the same time, the expenses connected therewith have been reduced.
2. Four new books have been issued during the year, one of them in the German language, comprising an aggregate of 5,250 copies. Also nineteen new tracts were published—1,000 copies of each. The total publications for the year have amounted to 57,750 copies, or 7,503,836 pages. This is exclusive of 108,000 copies of the *Missionary Recorder*. The total number of copies of books and tracts published by the Board during the nine years of its existence, is 433,373, and of pages is 42,774,806.

3. An arrangement has been effected with the Presbyterian Board of Publication, by which the three works of the German Psalmsody receive the *imprimatur* of both Boards, and thus find a market in the German Churches of both denominations.

4. The indebtedness of the Board has been reduced, since the last Synod, from \$16,635 55 to \$14,258 15. For the liquidation of the remaining debt, a loan of \$10,000 for seven years, without interest, has been obtained from different individuals in the city of New York, by which nearly \$5,000 will be saved to the Board. Should the balance of \$4,000 be secured on the same plan among the Churches without the city, and the Board receive its usual prosperity, it will have on hand an increasing capital in stock, whose estimated value at the present time is more than \$24,000. The operations of the past year have been entirely for cash, and have not involved a penny of debt.

5. The noble work of supplying the Army and Navy with religious publications, has been continued during the past year with great activity and success, through the Board's efficient and devoted agent, Rev. L. G. Bingham. There can be no doubt, in the mind of any, of the relation of the Church to the nation in this respect, and the Lord has set His seal on the work.

II.—PROSPECTS.

The prospects for future usefulness are very hopeful. It is true that only twenty-four Churches have taken collections for the ordinary operations of the Board, but at the same time more than one hundred and fifty have contributed for the army; and the Report of the Board testifies that the Churches have never before evinced so much interest in their behalf. With an established place among the agencies of the Church, such as no one would now wish or venture to disturb; with the successful entrance on a plan that promises entire deliverance from the pressure of a debt; with a field for the circulation of its literature not limited to the confines of our own denomination, but constantly growing in extent; with works already issued that enjoy a wide reputation, the Board and its agents may well feel encouragement to continue their self-denying work.

RESOLUTIONS.

In conclusion, we submit to the Synod the following resolutions:

1. The careful economy and attention to business system, which characterize the operations of the Board of Publication, merit and hereby receive the commendation of this Synod.

2. The Churches without the city of New York are earnestly urged to furnish the Board with the balance of \$4,000 needed for the liquidation of its former liabilities.

3. The enterprise of supplying religious literature to the Army

and Navy is most cordially commended to the continued and increased liberality of the Churches.

4. The attention of the Board is called to the consideration of the question, whether the paper formerly named "*The Sower*," and now known as the "*Missionary Recorder*," would not be more useful, and command a larger circulation, if used as the organ of all the Boards.

1. A paper has been referred to your Committee, from which it appears that there has been an error in the numbering of the Synods which have been held.

The first General Synod, independent of the mother country, met in June 1794. From that year until 1812, sessions were held triennially, and the annual sessions began in 1814, that of 1813 having been an adjourned one. Thus the present General Synod would be the 57th instead of the 77th. In view of this, we propose the following:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to make the necessary corrections wherever needed.

2. The Stated Clerk has informed the Synod that, in compliance with instructions, he has endeavored to procure two full sets of the Minutes of General Synod from the beginning; and that he has succeeded except that to one of the sets there are lacking the minutes of the extra session of 1823. As these comprise only four or five pages, and the cost of reprinting them would not exceed five dollars, and as, when printed, they would be in readiness for the second volume of the new edition which the Board of Publication has already been authorized to issue, therefore,

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to have said Minutes of 1823 reprinted.

3. Your Committee beg leave also to present the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Board of Publication be requested to select the most competent committee possible, for the purpose of securing a clear, pointed, comprehensive, and interesting abstract of the proceedings of this Synod, which, together with such statistical matter relating to our Church as may be deemed needful and profitable, shall be published under the direction and for the benefit of the said Board, in connection with the usual astronomical and calendar pages, as the first of a series of Church almanacs.

Resolved, That full latitude be given to the Board to include such additional useful matter as will promote these two ends, viz: first, that every family in the denomination may have inducements to purchase and read this work, and become acquainted with the doings of their own Church; and second, that there may be motives for a more general circulation, in order that others, too, may have some

knowledge of the existence and characteristics of the first Protestant organization on the continent of North America.

Resolved, That it be earnestly urged on the Consistories and Classes to take suitable measures for the circulation of the work.

Resolved, That every one, in the full sense of that expression, be requested to give a cheerful and cordial trial to this experiment, without criticism, indifference, or obliviousness, so that it may become a certainty that the first issue does actually enter into every family of the denomination.

Resolved, That the work be executed in the best style consistent with a suitably low price.

PHILIP PHELPS, JR.,
Chairman.

ARTICLE XXI.

PARTICULARIA.

The communication containing the Van Benschoten Bequest was read.

Resolved, That a Special Committee of five be appointed to draft a minute and resolutions on the duty and relations of the Church to the Country.

Rev. C. Wiley, J. H. Suydam, C. G. Vanderveer, and Elders, C. Dusenberry, and E. Andrews were appointed.

The Committee presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee appointed to prepare a Minute on the relation of the Church to the State in the present crisis of our public affairs, respectfully Report the following for the consideration and action of the General Synod :

Whereas, It is the duty of the Church of Christ and of all those who minister at her altars, agreeably to the teachings of the Scriptures, and the injunctions of our standards and formularies of doctrine and worship, to yield at all times a cordial support, both by precept and example, to the legitimate government of the land :

And whereas, This duty is especially incumbent at a period when the Government is assailed by armed violence and insubordination, and its very existence and integrity are sought to be subverted by a powerful and persevering rebellion :

Therefore, Resolved, 1. That we tender to the Government of the United States, and to those who represent it, the renewed expression of our warmest and deepest sympathy in its present protracted

struggle to maintain its lawful authority, and to preserve unbroken the integrity and union of these States.

2. That we hold it to be our imperative duty as ministers of the Gospel and members of this Synod, while abstaining from all unseemly mixing up of ourselves with mere party politics, in our own appropriate sphere and by every possible means to strengthen the hands of the Government at the present imminent crisis, wherein are put at stake the national life and the noblest example and experiment of Constitutional Government the world has ever seen, and that we will yield a cordial support to all such measures, not incompatible with the great law of righteousness, as may be necessary to suppress the existing rebellion, and to assert the complete authority of the Union over all its people, territory and domain.

3. That we will hail with satisfaction the earliest practicable period for the introduction and establishment of a *salutary peace*, a peace founded on the full ascendancy of law and rightful authority, and guaranteed in its permanency by the removal or the sufficient coercion and restraint of whatever causes tend necessarily to imperil the existence of the Nation, and to endanger the preservation of the Union; and until such a peace can be obtained, we hold it to be a sacred duty to ourselves, our children, our country, the Church of God, and also to humanity at large, to prosecute to the end a war forced upon us by an imperative necessity, and waged on our part not in hatred or revenge, but in the great cause of Constitutional liberty and national self-government.

4. That we recognize devoutly our dependence upon God for a happy issue and termination to our present troubles; that we accept with profound humility and abasement the chastisements of His hand; that we make mention of our deep unworthiness and sin, and that we endeavor by continual self-searching repentance and careful walking before God to conciliate the divine favor, so that ere long His heavy judgments in our national calamities may be removed, and a restoration may be accorded to us of the blessings of peace, fraternal harmony, national Union, and established government.

The Synod directed the following resolutions to be added to the Report of the Committee:

Resolved, That we view with admiration and gratitude those noble men, our sons, brothers and kindred, who have periled and sacrificed their lives in the present crisis in the cause of the country; that we follow them to the camp and to the fields with our warm sympathies and prayers; that we pledge to them our exertions to relieve their sufferings, and to smooth, as far as may be, the rough experience of war; that we honor them while they live and cherish their names and memory when they die; and esteem these remembrances and respects the smallest return we can make for their personal sacrifices in the great cause of Constitutional liberty, and enlightened and national self-government.

Resolved, That a copy of the above resolutions be presented by the President of the Synod to the President of the United States.

All which is respectfully submitted,

CHAS. WILEY,

Chairman of Committee.

ARTICLE XXII.

BENEVOLENT AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

A daily prayer meeting was established and held during the Sessions of the Synod at 8 A. M.

An hour was spent on the afternoon of the first day of the Session in devotional exercises. And on the afternoon of the second day of the Session, after a sermon by Rev. James Eells, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod, the Corresponding Secretaries of the Boards of Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions and Publication, were heard on the third day of the Session.

On the afternoon of the eight day, Synod spent a season in a free interchange of opinion on the subject of Domestic Missions.

The sermon in behalf of the benevolent operations of the Church was preached on the evening of the sixth day of the Session, by Rev. John A. Lansing, from 2. Cor. 8: 7, "See that ye abound in this grace also."

Rev. Joachim Elmendorf was chosen *primarius*, and Rev. John McC. Holmes, *secundus*, to preach the sermon in behalf of benevolent operations at the next stated Session.

Rev. R. S. Cook, D.D., agent of the Sabbath Committee, presented its claims to the Synod on the seventh day of the Session.

Resolved, That the Synod has listened with much pleasure to the statement made of the diligent and successful labors of the Sabbath Committee, in a cause so important to the Church and country, and that we pledge them our continued sympathy and coöperation.

Resolved, That all parties in connection with the Synod, are hereby earnestly requested to regard its injunction that the last Thursday of February be observed as a day of special prayer for Colleges and Seminaries of learning, and that the pastors of the various Churches preach on the subject of education on the Sabbath previous thereto.

TABULAR STATEMENT

Of the Contributions made during the year ending April 30, 1863, by the several Churches, to the (denominational) Boards and Funds recommended by Synod, each sum comprising the total amount received from each Church, whether by church collections or otherwise. [See Synod Proceedings, June, 1862, p. 212.]

CHURCHES	Education	Dom. Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Sustentation Fund	Ch. Building Fund
Classis of Albany.							
1st Church.....	365 16	256 09	719 97	149 00	141 08	.....	36 08
2d do	151 88	300 00	443 00	68 96	40 00	.....
3d do		12 14	17 70	38 64			
Holland.....		17 00	10 00				
Dadley.....							
4th Church.....	9 24	.....	31 00	5 00	2 00	.....	2 00
1st Bethlehem.....	31 40	8 50	37 51				
Coeymans.....	13 00		20 00				
New Baltimore.....	27 50		38 79	84 20			
Jerusalem.....			39 95	9 50			
Union.....		8 60					
2d Bethlehem.....	28 50	.....	34 00				
New Salem.....							
Clarksville.....							
Onisquethaw.....			8 05				
Westerlo.....		.....				
2d Berne.....		6 00					
Classis of Arcot.				50 00			
Classis of Bergen.							
English Neighborhood.....	8 00	16 82	31 91	17 75	.....	.....	5 07
1st Hackensack.....	43 00	79 50	98 50	18 00			
Schraalenbergh.....	30 32	.....	42 31				
New Durham.....	26 56	33 07	74 00				
1st Hoboken.....		18 20	24 51	5 00			
3d Jersey City.....				41 45	.....	.....	27 91
German, North Bergen.....							
2d Hackensack.....			317 97	64 89	.....	.....	10 00
German, Hoboken.....	8 50	19 12	3 50				
German, Hackensack.....	3 00	4 00	3 00				
South Classis of Bergen.							
Bergen.....	42 15	243 00	347 15	99 73	32 75		
Belleville.....	12 00	25 00	78 25	25 25	10 00		
1st Jersey City.....	64 00	40 37	400 52	90 64			
Bergen Neck.....	25 00	7 23	26 37				
1st Newark.....	107 35	165 67	330 00				
Irrington.....		30 18	9 32	4 20			
1st Van Vorst.....	539 15	91 00	475 97	142 00	28 03	.....	40 00
2d Newark.....	18 38	43 73	43 73	12 95			
Hudson.....							
Bergen Point.....		32 23	94 38	7 79			
Franklin.....	5 00	17 20	6 22	8 43	2 00	.....	3 75
German, Jersey City.....		6 75					
North Church, Newark.....	60 73	93 29	414 50	25 05
2d Church, Hudson City.....		4 45					

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Classis of Cayuga.							
Canastota		8 80		2 07			
Chittenango.....	4 00	8 00	74 00				
Cleero.....							
Lysander.....	10 00	8 25	16 57				
Naumburgh.....	2 13						
New Bremen.....							
Owasco.....	5 25	5 09		10 00			
Owasco Outlet.....		14 43	19 51				
Syracuse.....	46 72	81 41	126 40	22 18			
Thousand Isles.....		8 84					
Utica.....	50 00		159 00		80 00		
West Leyden.....		17 00		2 00	4 00		
Classis of Geneva.							
Lodi.....	47 44	32 95	121 88	17 00			43 47
Farmer.....	40 45	34 00	74 53		8 50		
Geneva.....	27 77	82 57	140 23	5 00	19 89		
Ithaca.....	102 53	68 66	145 47				17 23
Arcadia.....		10 00					
Tyre.....				4 90			
Caroline.....	2 00	19 00	10 00	8 00			2 64
Wolcott.....	12 00	12 00					
Waterloo.....							
Buffalo.....							
Pultneyville.....	4 00						
Rochester.....	22 00	8 20	21 00	7 10			
Clymer.....	15 03	6 00	11 00	11 65			
Mina Corners.....	3 00						
Cato.....		12 18		8 00			
Athens.....	20 00	29 51	24 51	10 00			
Classis of Greene.							
1st Church of Athens.....	6 56	87 36	32 70	22 51			
2d do.....							
Catskill.....	58 63	65 55	100 00	40 00			
1st Church, Coxsackie.....		20 00	34 50	11 50	6 81		
2d do.....	22 84	20 81	213 49	80 08	15 00		
Kiskatom.....	20 00	24 62	20 85		10 00		
Leeds.....	39 00	20 00	30 00	7 00	12 00		
Moresville and }.....		4 00	13 00				
S. Gilboa..... }	11 30	5 00					
Prattsville.....	11 30	19 88	16 40				
Roxbury.....		16 00	11 50	12 00			
Classis of Holland.							
Drenth.....			58 00				
Grand Rapids.....	45 00	10 00	30 00	15 00			
Grand Haven.....	22 00	11 00	22 78	11 35		6 22	
Grandville.....							
Graafschap.....			5 00				
Holland.....	40 00	65 50	157 84	29 55		19 65	
2d do.....	12 19	29 78	2 50				
Kalamazoo.....	6 00		50 81				
Muskegon.....							
North Holland.....							
Noordeloos.....							
Overijssel.....	9 00	14 50	38 00			10 65	
Pella.....	25 00	25 00	143 48				
Polkton.....							
Vriesland.....	5 00	8 50	50 82	4 50		4 00	
Zeeland.....			107 00	5 00			

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Classis of Hudson.							
Hudson.....	189 56	106 87	576 87	57 56			
1st Claverack.....		15 00	206 18	44 87			
2d Claverack.....		15 80		16 75			
Limithgow.....			86 10				
Upper Red Hook.....		17 00	22 00				8 00
Germantown.....	18 00		7 60	9 00			
Greenport.....			185 78				
Taghkanic.....	10 00		7 00	5 50			
Classis of Illinois.							
Fairview.....	28 68	5 00	87 21	82 81			
Pekin.....			18 95	17 00			
Van Derveer.....		6 00	8 00				
Burlington.....		14 00	14 00	11 85			
Spring Lake.....							
Karitan.....							
Bushnell.....							
Keokuk.....		15 00					
Davenport.....							
Whitehall.....		4 00	9 00	4 50			
2nd Pella.....			88 90				
Silver Creek.....							
Classis of Kingston.							
Bloomingdale.....			10 00	14 64			
Clove.....			21 50	6 00			15 50
Dashville Falls.....	8 50	5 00	4 00	12 04			1 00
Gulford.....	27 00	47 22	56 25				
Hurley.....	16 75	40 00	66 00	17 80			22 80
2d Church, Kingston.....	80 20	36 28	74 58				
Marbletown.....	180 00	55 81	62 62	23 61			
New Palis.....	25 23	84 65	188 60	18 50			20 82
North Marbletown.....	2 89	25 06	8 81				
Rochester.....			114 00				
Rosendale.....	7 19		17 24				
Samsonville.....							
N. Classis of L. Island.							
Jamaica.....	45 18	51 45	82 50	56 61			
Newtown.....	450 00	44 77	186 25	70 79			
Oyster Bay.....	11 00	9 28	22 25		11 52		
North Hempstead.....	6 67	37 07	14 80	6 50			9 58
Williamsburg.....		63 78	106 00	61 40			20 00
Astoria.....	47 50	31 89	206 72	21 11			
Greenpoint.....	20 40	65 00	177 49	77 67			82 55
Flushing.....	100 00		5 00				
South Bushwick.....	27 52	45 05	47 00				
Lee Avenue.....	21 00	85 79	65 00	110 27			
East Williamsburg.....	22 60	34 65	52 68	6 00			
Queens.....	18 88	8 88	15 56				
2d Church, Newtown.....	5 00	5 00		9 25			
German Church, Astoria.....							
Wood Haven.....		14 98					
S. Classis of L. Island.							
Brooklyn.....	118 06	242 26	1025 96	79 26			
Flatbush.....	180 22	148 97	706 71	61 68	20 00		40 66
New Utrecht.....	82 50	227 61	281 11	41 00			42 00
Gravesend.....	9 18	64 49	50 50				12 20

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S. Cl's of L. Island, cont'd.							
Flatlands.....	65 40	85 00	112 99				
New Lots.....	18 88	12 32	70 82				7 06
East New York.....	2 00	56 88	80 65	45 24			
South Brooklyn.....	16 00		4 62	25 86			
Middle Brooklyn.....	100 00	100 00	200 00	20 00			
North Gowanus.....	84 06	58 65	87 04	26 40			
North Brooklyn.....		70 45	261 15	48 27			
Church on the Heights.....	1100 00	608 07	1425 92	253 08			
New Brooklyn.....	5 00	5 00	5 00	4 00	2 50	2 50	2 50
East Brooklyn.....	172 50	30 21		42 26			8 26
Classis of Michigan.							
Battle Creek.....		7 00	24 25				
Centerville.....	8 00	4 00	5 00	10 25			3 00
Constantine.....	5 00		26 45				24 50
Mottville.....			6 23				12 50
Porter.....			1 00				
Macon.....		2 54					
Grand Rapids.....			19 08				
Jefferson and Pittsford.....		8 00					
South Bend.....							
Ridgeway.....							
Classis of Monmouth.							
First Freehold.....	18 00	24 00	81 00	52 75			
Second Freehold.....	40 00	45 00	75 00	12 84			
Middletown.....	25 80	87 95	87 95	21 20			
Spotswood.....	10 00	12 00	9 00				
Middletown Village.....	12 00		12 18	8 00			
Keyport.....		10 00					
Long Branch.....	7 00	7 00	7 00	5 00			8 20
Colt's Neck.....		28 00	9 00				
Classis of Montgomery.							
Auriesville.....							
Canaoharie.....							
Caughnawaga.....				1 50			
Columbia.....							
Currytown.....							
Mapletown.....		7 88					
Ephrata.....							
Florida.....	41 67	49 11	57 44				
Fort Plain.....			87 70				
Fort Herkimer.....							
Fultonville.....	5 00		10 00				
Glen.....	80 00	28 25	50 00	8 65			80 50
Hagaman's Mills.....		8 56					
Henderson.....							
Herkimer.....	10 54	8 75	66 20	1 00			
Manheim.....				8 00			
Indian Castle.....							
Mohawk.....			1 00				
Port Jackson.....							
Stone Arabia.....	18 09		7 50				
St. Johnsville.....	15 00	81 00	11 00				
Spraker's Basin.....	5 00						

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Classis of N. Brunswick.							
First New Brunswick.....	211 62	340 00	833 40	13 16	67 00
Six Mile Run.....	34 50	286 64	175 80	33 40	7 68	25 00
Hillsborough.....	30 03	48 93	263 03	24 02	.....	.....	7 11
Middlebush.....	40 18	130 00	145 68	8 00	.....	.....
Griggstown.....	12 00	47 30	30 00	7 50	.....	.....
Second New Brunswick.....	59 34	49 72	202 97				
Boundbrook.....	200 00	209 70	258 64	15 77			
Third West Brunswick....	8 00	23 00	9 00				
East Millstone.....	15 60	44 46	50 46	13 65	5 04		
Metuchin.....	38 55	13 62	45 88	13 55	9 63	.....	10 00
Classis of New York.							
New York, (Collegiate).....	1441 47	1984 95	6401 89	916 80	102 16	141 16	578 50
Thirty-fourth Street.....	150 00	67 77	160 46	86 58	.....	.....	67 92
Greenwich.....	63 03	58 00	1026 37	10 48	.....	.....
Twenty-first Street.....	65 70	.....	168 89				
German Evangelical Mission..	150 00	161 58	826 02	.....	.....	.....	100 00
Mt. Pleasant, Fiftheth Street,	63 80	31 75	90 03				
Bloomington.....	50 00	50 00	.....	8 00			
Harlem.....	65 60	145 00	392 48	105 40	.....	.....	43 81
Washington Heights			5 30				
Harlem German Reformed	*						
Mott Haven.....				11 93			
3d German Reformed	8 09	.....	7 00				
Staten Island		90 51	123 34				
Richmond, S. I.....	10 00	22 45	.....		7 54		
Huguenots, S. I.....	2 00	13 92	4 00	3 96	.....	.....	2 00
4th German.....							
Prospect Hill.....	10 00	30 00	50 00				
Madison Street Mission.....		15 00	20 00				
South Classis of N. York.							
Stapleton.....							
Tompkinsville.....	15 00	50 00	87 20	39 00			
South Dutch.....	271 23	210 46	1717 30	17 38	43 48		
Market Street.....	366 44	297 91	951 53	50 15	106 92	.....	100 00
Washington Square.....	241 05	186 20	496 08	87 87	10 00	.....
Manhattan.....							
Bushwick.....		10 00	12 50				
Union R. P. Dutch Ch., Sixth Av.		.....		19 40			
German Ref. (Rev. A. Berkey)..	22 00						
German Ref. (Rev. Ebaugh)... German Tompkinsville..... North Trinity.....							
Classis of Orange.							
Berea.....			25 00				
Bloomingburgh.....	8 20						
Buckbrook.....							
Milesville.....							
Cuddebackville.....							
Deerpark.....	44 26	105 50	204 56	17 23	.....	.....	19 22
Ellenville.....	22 64	.....	21 53	8 50	.....	.....	15 62
2d Ellenville.....		42 29					
Fallsburg.....				7 50			
Grahamville.....	5 00	10 53	30 10	6 00	.....	.....	3 20
Upper Neversink.....	2 00	8 00	8 00	.....	.....	.....	2 70
Jeffersonville.....	1 52	2 00					
Thumansville.....	1 48	1 50					
Mamakating.....							

CHURCHES	Education	Dom. Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Sustentation Fund	Ch. Building Fund
Classis of Orange, cont'd.							
Middleport.....	8 80						
Wawarsing.....		9 60	14 85				
Minisink.....							5 00
Montgomery.....		170 00	294 66				
Newburgh.....	55 00	107 00	229 94	86 98			24 00
New Hurley.....		76 81	57 00	8 00			
New Prospect.....	18 79	27 10	29 80				
Shawangunk.....	25 00	20 00	41 00	11 50			
Walden.....	20 00	50 00	58 88	27 75			11 50
Walpack.....	10 00	8 00	8 00				
Upper Walpack.....		9 00					
Classis of Paramus.							
Clarkstown.....	10 74	68 63	198 58	80 65	20 00		
Tappan.....	15 89				9 75		
Acquacknonk.....	56 77	104 58	876 58	110 54	52 44		
1st Church, Totowa.....	44 03	48 75	115 99	62 00	23 72		24 75
2d Church, Totowa.....	42 70	30 00	152 68		82 12		23 80
Paramus.....	90 00	40 00	63 00	34 08	41 68		30 00
Pascack.....	20 13		9 50	8 00	5 80		4 78
Saddle River.....	12 02		18 00	7 00	7 00		
Ramapo.....		9 00	6 20	8 00			1 33
West New Hempstead.....		32 88	32 88	1 50	19 23		
Warwick.....	80 00	89 10	109 10				
Nyack.....	59 19	29 49	185 00	107 10	30 00		
Piermont.....	27 28		50 00	25 69	18 38		
Holland Church, Paterson.....							
Holland Church, Lodi.....	10 00	10 00	10 00	5 00	2 42		
Classis of Passaic.							
Boardville.....	25 00	12 00	9 00				
Fairfield.....							
Little Falls.....							
Montville.....	18 00		17 20				12 58
Pompton Plains.....	20 21	15 50	77 95	11 55			20 56
Pompton.....							
Ponds.....							
Preakness.....							
Stone House Plains.....	10 09	11 86	40 00	14 06			12 86
Wyckoff.....	5 00			12 25			
Classis of Philadelphia.							
Harlingen.....	26 00	29 86	48 31	6 72			
Readington.....		78 76					
Ne-Shanic.....	24 00	64 00	56 00	26 35			
1st Philadelphia.....	48 60	56 87	82 61	22 00			
2d do.....	178 70	98 89	128 06				
3d do.....	188 65		168 86				
4th do (German).....							10 00
N. and S. Hampton.....	5 00		81 92	1 51			
Blawenburgh.....		140 00	100 00	34 00			
Stanton.....		40 10	23 00				
Manayunk.....							
Rocky Hill.....		20 00	20 00				
Classis of Poughkeepsie.							
1st Church, Poughkeepsie.....	19 14	161 25	219 80	18 58			
2d Church, Poughkeepsie.....	29 60	75 21	271 45		20 00		
Fishkill.....	208 96	70 00	89 18	89 25			

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Ch's of Poughke'e, cont'd.							
Hopewell.....	125 00	27 00	76 14	23 10			
New Hackensack.....		84 86	50 00	18 00	8 00		18 00
Fishkill Landing.....	188 83	43 00	60 00	16 60			11 00
Rhinebeck.....		80 49	124 41	25 61			
Hyde Park.....		10 15	24 02	7 60			
Greenbush.....							
Glenham.....		19 41	16 80	9 12			
Old Spring.....		8 26					
Classis of Raritan.							
1st Raritan.....		88 84	39 19	1 00			
Bedminster.....	70 00	80 00	95 40	80 00			
Rockaway.....							
Lebanon.....				1 00			
North Branch.....	19 83	4 19	80 00				
2d Raritan.....	43 87	46 30	97 34	140 35			
Pea Pack.....	80 00	20 00	37 50				
Branchville.....	50 00	9 61	45 88	20 50			
3d Raritan.....	20 25	45 23	108 00	17 50			19 88
Easton.....		25 00	56 00				
Warren.....	8 00	8 00					
Plainfield.....		8 00					
Classis of Rensselaer.							
Bloomingrove.....							
Castleton.....							
Chatham.....		21 00	38 75	24 76			
1st Ghent.....		14 50	19 48	10 50			
2d do.....	10 00	5 00	80 00	45 00			
Greenbush.....		21 00	26 00	17 40			
Kinderhook.....		80 00	479 48	66 28			
Nassau.....							
New Concord.....		10 08	27 60	17 19			
Schodack.....	150 00		23 00	37 40			
Schodack Landing..							
Stuyvesant.....	19 48		107 70	28 48			
do Falls.....	18 00	14 00	6 00	10 00			
Classis of Saratoga.							
West Troy.....		70 40	181 92	8 95			
South West Troy.....		43 25	22 25				
Wynantskill.....		14 00	14 00				
Boght.....		10 82	19 63				
Waterford.....		5 00					
Coboes.....		58 07	48 88				
Rensselaer.....							
Union Village.....	60 00	70 95	114 97	25 78			
Saratoga.....		20 00	28 00	10 00			
Tiempoock.....		15 00	80 00	4 00	5 00	5 00	18 00
Easton.....							
Schaghticoke.....							
Northumberland.....							
Gansevoort.....			5 00				
Jackson.....							
Fort Miller.....							
Classis of Schoenectady.							
1st Schoenectady.....	48 40		50 00	15 00			
2d do.....	11 21						
3d do.....	7 00	10 00					21 00

CHURCHES	Education	Dom. Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Sustentation Fund	Ch. Building Fund
Ch's of Schoenect'y cont'd.							
Helderbergh.....							
Amity.....	37 40	80 00	80 00	14 49			
1st Glenville.....	18 04	69 13	66 00	16 35	7 60	.....	10 35
2d do.....			2 00				
1st Rotterdam.....							
2d Rotterdam.....		15 26					
Niskayuna....	18 10	18 10	90 51	23 50			
Lisha's Kill..	35 40	42 00	81 05	27 00			
Princeton..							
Day.....							
Classis of Schoharie.							
Schoharie.....	10 73		51 73				
Middleburgh.....	50 00	10 00	10 00	.....	5 00		
Schoharie Mountain.....							
Berne.....	10 00	10 00	84 00				
Beaver Dam.....			5 85				
Lawryville.....			6 00	1 00			
Sharon.....							
Gilboa.....							
North Blenheim.....	7 50	5 00	5 66				
Breakabin.....	4 50	6 00					
Gallupville.....			9 70				
Knox.....		6 30					
Eminence.....							
Cobleskill.....							
Classis of Ulster.							
Blue Mountain.....	2 50	12 00		2 85			
Caatsban.....	23 00	20 25	55 00	45 18			
Esopus.....	4 65	6 18		7 40			
Flatbush.....	15 57	8 58	8 00	18 25			
Kingston.....	101 73	180 37	263 71	6 00			
North Esopus.....		48 00	59 30				
Plattekill.....				14 50			
Saugerties..	144 69	186 37	116 37	48 00			
Shokan.....	5 00						
Shandaken.....							
West Harley.....	2 00		6 00	23 65			
Woodstock.....				1 24			
Wiltwyck.....		108 81					
Classis of Westchester.							
1st Tarrytown... ..	17 67	33 69	39 25	.....			26 36
2d Tarrytown... ..		35 75	200 62				
Unionville.....	12 48	21 50		7 35			
Greenburgh.....	4 45		2 00				
Greenville.....	29 00	10 10	11 60	20 00			
Yonkers.....	6 01	29 51	45 22				11 21
Hastings.....			77 25				
Fordham.....			29 41				
Mount Vernon.....	6 67	30 00					
West Farms.....		12 00	14 00				
Bronxville.....	18 63	50 00	60 00				
Melrose, (German)..		12 00					
Cortlandtown.....							
Peekskill.....	16 67	30 00	51 52	5 36			

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Classis of Wisconsin.							
Franklin.....	5 64	18 64				
Bethlehem.....	10 92					
Holland.....	88 68	10 75			
Oostburgh.....	7 00	5 00				
Gibbsville.....	1 88	2 86	6 72				
Alto.....	80 00	25 00	27 92	14 95			
Milwaukee.....	20 45	10 00					
1st Chicago.....	8 00	15 00	8 00	10 00			
2d Chicago.....					
Sheboygan Falls.....	1 58				
High Prairie.....	10 00	10 00	70 00				
Low Prairie.....					
North Creek.....					
Silver Creek.....	5 00	7 50			

ARTICLE XXIII.

PASTORAL LETTER.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XXIV.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

The Stated Clerk reported that the archives of Synod had, by the kindness of the Collegiate Church, been long kept in the Consistory Rooms, at 103 Fulton street, from which he had not considered it expedient, without further directions, to remove them; also, that he had procured one full set of the Minutes of the Synod, and another nearly so, and had them bound for the use of Synod.

ARTICLE XXV.

ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Accounts presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee on Accounts respectfully report:

That there are in attendance at this Synod five delegates from the Classes embraced in the Particular Synod of Chicago, viz: One from the Classis of Michigan, two from the Classis of Holland, and two from the Classis of Illinois.

According to the rule established by the General Synod in 1857, and confirmed by that body in the Session of 1859, these delegates are entitled to the following sums, which your Committee recommend to be paid from the funds devoted to the contingent expenses of General Synod, viz :

To the delegate from the Classis of Michigan.....	\$28 00
To the two delegates from the Classis of Holland..	56 00
To the two delegates from the Classis of Illinois..	72 00

There has been put into the hands of your Committee a bill of the Stated Clerk for the purchase of copies of the Minutes of former Sessions of General Synod, which have been collected by him according to the request of this Synod at its last Session, and bound in two sets under his direction. One of these sets is entire, and the other is deficient only in the Minutes of the extra Session of February, 1823 :

This bill is in amount.....	\$10 00
There is also connected with it a bill of P. S.	
Wynkoop, for binding the same, amounting to.	25 20

Your Committee, in behalf of the General Synod, desire to recognize the untiring perseverance, faithfulness, and success of the Stated Clerk in collecting these important documents for the use of the Synod, and also the handsome and substantial manner in which the binding has been executed.

They recommend that these bills be paid, and the thanks of this Synod be given to the Stated Clerk.

Your Committee also recommend, in order to complete both the sets, and more effectually to preserve these volumes for the future use of this body, the passage of the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That the attention of our ministers and older members be called to the single deficiency in these two sets of Minutes, with a view to its supply if possible.

2. *Resolved*, That the Stated Clerk be requested to have suitably printed upon the outside cover of each, "The property of the General Synod of the Ref. Prot. Dutch Church in North America."

There have also been put into the hands of your Committee the following bills for incidental expenses, viz :

C. B. Martin, for printing ballots.....	\$4 00
Chas. Estabrook, for stationery.....	6 27
The sexton of the church, as door-keeper.....	14 00
Loss on postage stamps.....	39

\$24 66

These your Committee recommend to be paid from the Contingent Fund of Synod.

All which is respectfully submitted.

GEO. ROCKWELL,
Chairman.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to publish fourteen hundred copies of the Minutes of this Synod, duly authenticated, and to distribute among the Classes the number of copies ordered by them, and that the price of each copy be printed on the cover.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be presented to the Rev. G. H. Mandeville and Mr. Thomas Jessup, for their unremitting courtesies and assiduous attentions to its members, and also to the Consistory of this Church for the use of this edifice during the Session of this Body.

Resolved, That the hearty thanks of the Synod be and hereby are tendered to the families of the Reformed Dutch and of other Churches in Newburgh, for the very generous and Christian hospitalities they have extended to the members of Synod during its Session.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod the roll was called at the close of the Session, when it appeared that the Rev. E. S. Hammond and Rev. J. G. Hall were absent without permission.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

Synod adjourned to meet in the First Reformed Dutch Church in Schenectady, on the first Wednesday of June, 1864, at 10 o'clock A. M., and was closed with singing, and prayer, and the pronouncing of the Apostolic benediction by the President.

TALBOT W. CHAMBERS, *President.*

JOHN DEWITT, *Adessor.*

RICHARD H. STEELE, }
JAMES LEFEVRE, } *Clerks pro tem.*

Official Copy from original Minutes.

DAVID D. DEMAREST, *Stated Clerk.*

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“ Abel T. Stewart,	“ J. B. Sheffield,
Mr. B. Livingston Kip,	“ Henry D. Varick.

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Rev. M. S. Hutton, D.D.,	Rev. G. H. Mandeville,
“ W. H. Ten Eyck,	Mr. F. J. Hosford,
“ John H. Manning,	“ Peter R. Warner,
“ Joseph T. Duryea,	“ Johnson Letson.

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Rev. B. C. Taylor, D.D.,	Rev. E. Tanjore Corwin,
“ J. McC. Holmes,	Mr. Samuel B. Schieffelin,
“ R. O. Currie, D.D.,	“ James Suydam,
“ J. B. Thompson,	“ S. R. Van Duzer,

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“ Peter R. Warner,
“ Charles Dusenberry,
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DEPOSITORY AGENT.

Mr. William Ferris.

Presidents of General Synod.

YEAR.	PRESIDENTS.	FROM WHAT STATE.	PLACE OF MEETING.
1794—	Rev. William Linn.....	New York.....	Albany, N. Y.
1797—	Rev. Direk Romeyn.....	".....	New York.
1800—	Rev. Ira Condict.....	New Jersey.....	Albany, N. Y.
1808—	Rev. John H. Livingston.....	New York.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
1806—	Rev. James V. C. Romeyn.....	New Jersey.....	Albany.
1809—	Rev. Nicholas Lansing.....	New York.....	New York.
1812—	Rev. Jacob Sickles.....	".....	Albany.
1814—	Rev. John M. Bradford.....	".....	New York.
1815—	Rev. John Schureman.....	New Jersey.....	Albany.
1816—	Rev. Jacob Brodhead.....	Pennsylvania.....	New York.
1817—	Rev. Cornelius D. Westbrook.....	New York.....	Albany.
1818—	Rev. William McMurray.....	".....	New York.
1819—	Rev. John M. Bradford.....	".....	Albany.
1820—	Rev. James S. Cannon.....	New Jersey.....	New York.
1821—	Rev. Selah S. Woodhull.....	New York.....	Albany.
1822—	Rev. Philip Milledoler.....	".....	New York.
1823—	Rev. Jesse Fonda.....	".....	Albany.
1824—	Rev. Thomas DeWitt.....	".....	New York.
1825—	Rev. Jacob Brodhead.....	Pennsylvania.....	Albany.
1826—	Rev. John Ludlow.....	New York.....	New York.
1827—	Rev. Cornelius C. Cuyler.....	".....	Philadelphia.
1828—	Rev. Jacob Schoonmaker.....	".....	Albany.
1829—	Rev. John Knox.....	".....	New York.
1830—	Rev. Wilhelmus Eltinge.....	New Jersey.....	New Brunswick, N. J.
1831—	Rev. John Gosman.....	New York.....	Albany.
1832—	Rev. Isaac Ferris.....	".....	New York.
1833—	Rev. Jacob J. Janeway.....	".....	Schenectady, N. Y.
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1835—	Rev. Robert Bronk.....	New York.....	Philadelphia.
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1837—	Rev. Isaac N. Wyckoff.....	".....	New York.
1838—	Rev. Benjamin C. Taylor.....	New Jersey.....	Albany.

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1840—	Rev. James Murphy.....	New York.....	New York.
1841—	Rev. James Romeyn.....	"Albany.
1842—	Rev. James B. Hardenbergh...	"New York.
1843—	Rev. William C. Brownlee.....	"	....Albany.
1844—	Rev. Jacob Van Vechten .....	"	....Poughkeepsie.
1845—	Rev. Maurice W. Dwight.....	"	....New Brunswick.
1846—	Rev. William H. Campbell ....	"	....Albany.
1847—	Rev. Abraham Messler.....	New Jersey.....	New York.
1848—	Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye.....	New York.....	Kingston.
1849—	Rev. George H. Fisher.....	"	....New York.
1849—	Rev. Jacob Van Vechten, (ex. sea.)	"	....Schenectady.
1850—	Rev. Jeremiah Searle.....	"	....Poughkeepsie.
1851—	Rev. Alexander M. Mann.....	"	....Albany.
1852—	Rev. Gustavus Abeel	New Jersey.....	Williamsburgh, L. I.
1853—	Rev. Duncan Kennedy.....	New York.....	Philadelphia.
1854—	Rev. Mancius S. Hutton.....	"	....Hudson, N. Y.
1855—	Rev. Ransford Wells.....	"	....New Brunswick.
1856—	Rev. Francis M. Kip.....	"	....Utica, N. Y.
1857—	Rev. Cornelius Van Stantvoord..	"	....Ithaca, N. Y.
1858—	Rev. David D. Demarest .....	"	....Newark, N. J.
1859—	Rev. Samuel B. How.....	New Jersey.....	Albany.
1860—	Rev. Oscar H. Gregory.....	New York.....	Philadelphia.
1861—	Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef. ....	"	....Brooklyn.
1862—	Rev. John Garretson.....	"	....Syracuse, N. Y.
1863—	Rev. Talbot W. Chambers.....	"	....Newburgh, N. Y.

Stated Clerks.

Rev. Cornelius Brouwer, appointed.....	1800
Rev. James V. C. Romeyn, "	1806
Rev. John M. Bradford, "	1812
Rev. Selah S. Woodhull, "	1818
Rev. John Knox, "	1820
Rev. Thomas M. Strong, "	1823
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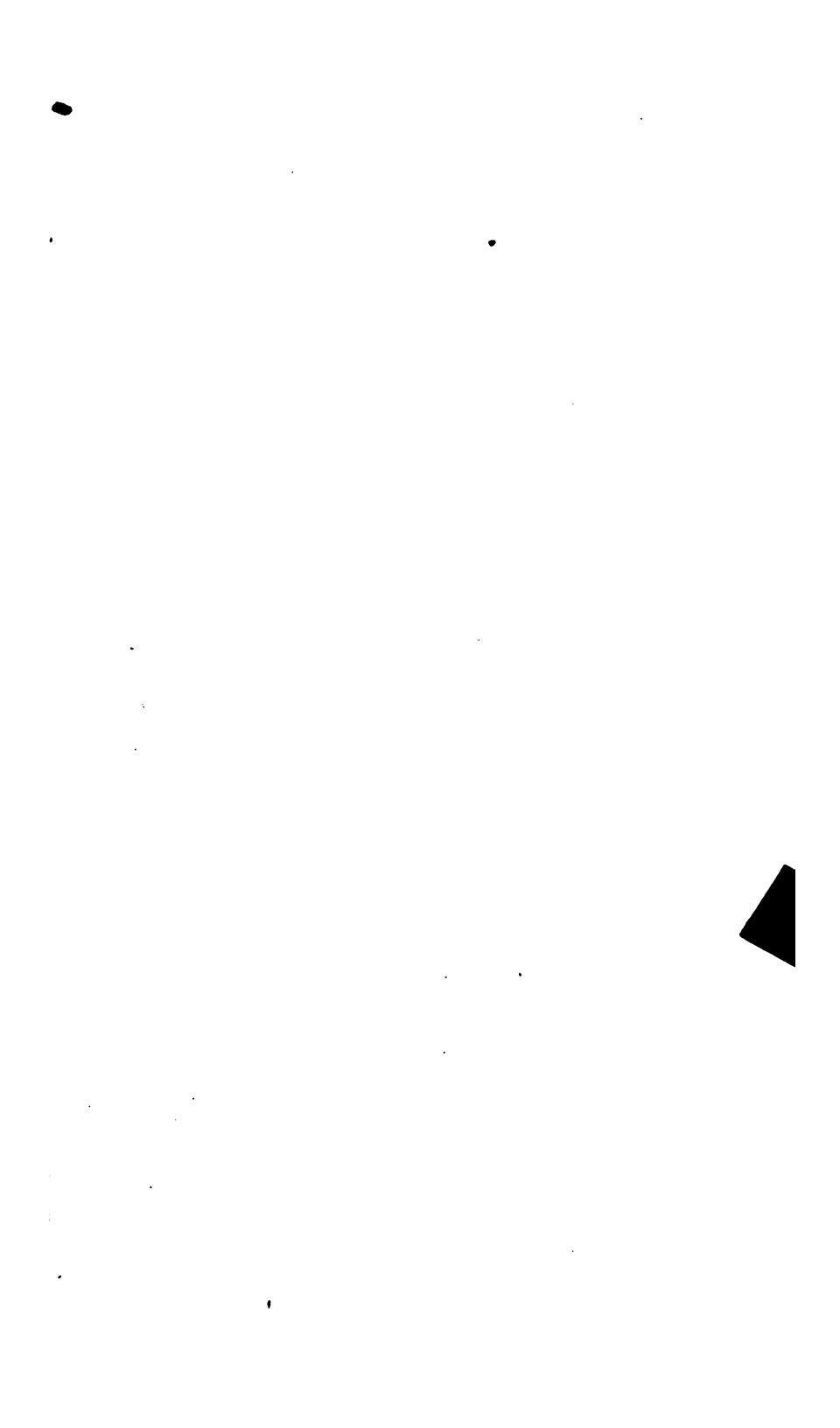
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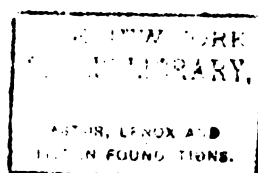
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OF THE GENERAL SYNOD OF THE REFORMED PROTESTANT DUTCH CHURCH IN NORTH AMERICA, CONVENED IN THE CITY OF SCHENECTADY, N. Y., ON WEDNESDAY, THE FIRST DAY OF JUNE, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND SIXTY-FOUR. THE SESSION CONTINUED FROM THE FIRST TO THE EIGHTH DAY OF JUNE, INCLUSIVE.

Formation of Synod.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. T. W. Chambers, President of the last General Synod, who preached a sermon on the evening of the first day of the session from 2 Tim. 4 : 4, "And they shall turn away their ears from the truth and shall be turned unto fables."

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

From the Particular Synod of New York.

1. *From the Classis of New York.*—Rev. John Forsyth, D.D., Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye, D.D., 'Rev. Hervey D. Ganse.'² *Elders*—Thomas Jeremiah,³ Samuel B. Schieffelin, Henry Camerden, Jr.¹

2. *From the South Classis of New York.*—Rev. Ebenezer P. Rogers, D.D.,¹ Rev. 'James M. Matthews, D.D.,² *Elders*—Edward M. Voorhees,³ Daniel R. Hitchcock.¹

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1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.
 2. Obtained leave of absence on the seventh day of the Session.
 3. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.
 4. Took his seat on the seventh day of the Session.

3. *From the Classis of Bergen*.—Rev. R. D. Van Kleeck, Rev. J. Romeyn Berry, Rev. Geo. H. Fisher, D.D.

4. *From the South Classis of Bergen*.—Rev. E. P. Terhune, Rev. John S. Lott, Rev. Henry Vehalaga, Jr. *Elders*—R. N. Parlee, Peter S. Duryee.¹

5. *From the Classis of New Brunswick*.—Rev. Stephen Searle, Rev. John W. Schenck, Rev. Benjamin F. Romaine. *Elders*—Peter L. Hoagland, Garrett G. Voorhees.

6. *From the Classis of Raritan*.—Rev. John F. Meaick, D.D. Rev. John Vanderveer, D.D.,⁴ Rev. P. M. Doolittle.

7. *From the Classis of Passaic*.—Rev. John C. Cruikshank, Rev. P. S. Talmage.¹ *Elder*—Henry R. Van Ness.

8. *From the Classis of Paramus*.—Rev. James Huyssoon, Rev. Philip Peltz. *Elder*—Isaac Haring.⁵

9. *From the South Classis of Long Island*.—Rev. Maurice G. Hansen, Rev. James Eells, D.D., Rev. Cornelius L. Wells. *Elders*—Bernardus J. Ryder, James Myers, Samuel B. Stewart.

10. *From the North Classis of Long Island*.—Rev. Elnathan R. Atwater,³ Rev. John B. Alliger, Rev. Wm. W. Halloway.³ *Elders*—Remsen Bennett,⁴ John N. Stearns.¹

11. *From the Classis of Poughkeepsie*.—Rev. Oliver E. Cobb, Rev. Heman R. Timlow, Rev. John B. Drury.³ *Elders*—Alfred Drury, Jacob B. Jewett.

12. *From the Classis of Philadelphia*.—Rev. John V. N. Talmage, Rev. Theodore B. Romeyn, Rev. Horace Doolittle. *Elder*—H. Duryea.

13. *From the Classis of Hudson*.—Rev. Charles J. Shepard, Rev. David D. Demarest, D.D. *Elder*—Thomas Miller.

14. *From the Classis of Westchester*.—Rev. Polhemus Van Wyck, Rev. John M. Wagner,¹ Rev. John H. Pitcher.¹ *Elders*—Styles P. York,¹ James P. Fitch.¹

15. *From the Classis of Monmouth*.—Rev. James B. Wilson, Rev. Samuel Lockwood.¹ *Elders*—G. H. Van Mater, F. H. Kennedy.

16. *From the Classis of Arcot*.—³Rev. Joseph Scudder.⁷

1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.

2. Took his seat on the sixth day of the Session.

3. Took his seat on the seventh day of the Session.

4. Obtained leave of absence on the fourth day of the Session.

5. Obtained leave of absence on the sixth day of the Session.

6. Obtained leave of absence on the seventh day of the Session.

7. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.

8. Was succeeded by Rev. E. S. Porter on the seventh day of the Session.

From the Particular Synod of Albany.

1. *From the Classis of Albany.*—Rev. J. Van Vechten, D.D., Rev. Philip Furbeck, J. Collier. *Elders*—B. Van Slyck, William B. Hull.

2. *From the Classis of Schenectady.*—Rev. J. C. Lowe, Rev. R. L. Schoonmaker,¹ Rev. J. A. De Baun. *Elders*—N. F. Vischer, H. R. Furbeck, S. J. Schermerhorn.

3. *From the Classis of Rensselaer.*—Rev. B. F. Snyder, Rev. Isaac H. Collier, Rev. C. S. Mead. *Elders*—Jacob I. Schermerhorn Jeremiah Link, J. W. Jones.⁴

4. *From the Classis of Schoharie.*—Rev. E. Miller, Rev. William W. Letson.² *Elders*—Jacob Settle, J. G. Zimmer, J. W. Reddington.

5. *From the Classis of Ulster.*—Rev. Calvin Case, Rev. John Gaston, Rev. C. L. Van Dyck. *Elders*—John Kiersted, Abraham Sleight.⁶

6. *From the Classis of Montgomery.*—Rev. H. B. Gardner, Rev. Joseph D. Krum,⁵ 'Rev. Daniel Lord.'⁶ *Elders*—John Little,⁴ Jacob R. Schuyler.

7. *From the Classis of Cayuga.*—Rev. F. V. Van Vranken, Rev. William A. Wurts, Joachim Elmendorf. *Elders*—Jacob Collier, Nathan F. Graves.³

8. *From the Classis of Orange.*—Rev. John Du Bois, Rev. Charles Scott, Rev. G. H. Mandevilla.⁶

9. *From the Classis of Greene.*—Rev. J. A. Lansing, D.D., Rev. S. T. Searle, Rev. J. K. Rhinehart. *Elders*—William H. Van Orden, L. Preston.

10. *From the Classis of Geneva.*—Rev. William E. Turner, Rev. John L. See, Rev. A. F. Todd. *Elders*—Arthur S. Johnson, James Quick.

11. *From the Classis of Kingston.*—Rev. J. L. Mc Nair, J. R. Lente,⁴ J. N. Voorhis. *Elder*—J. Auchmoedy.

12. *From the Classis of Saratoga.*—Rev. John Steele. *Elders*—Charles Easton, N. Corlies.

1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.

2. Took his seat on the third day of the Session.

3. Took his seat on the sixth day of the Session.

4. Obtained leave of absence on the third day of the Session.

5. Obtained leave of absence on the sixth day of the Session.

6. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.

7. Was succeeded by Rev. W. G. E. See on the sixth day of the Session.

From the Particular Synod of Chicago.

1. *From the Classis of Michigan.*—Rev. S. J. Rogers, Rev. J. H. Kershaw, Rev. J. M. Ferris. *Elder*—John Armitage.
2. *From the Classis of Illinois.*—Rev. A. Thompson. *Elders*—J. N. Rogers, R. S. Voorhees.¹
3. *From the Classis of Holland.*—Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., Rev. C. Vanderveen.
4. *From the Classis of Wisconsin.*—Rev. A. Mattice.

ARTICLE III.

MODERATORS.

The Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr. was chosen *President*; Rev. J. Romeyn Berry *Assessor*; and the Rev. Messrs. John L. McNair and Samuel J. Rogers, *Clerks pro. tem.*

ARTICLE IV.

READING OF THE MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last Ordinary Session of Synod were read.

Acts of the Synod.

ARTICLE I.

ORDERS AND RULES

These were read.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed :

On the Professorate.—Rev. G. H. Fisher, J. B. Alliger, John Steele. *Elders*, S. B. Schieffelin, P. S. Duryea.

1. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.

On Synodical Minutes.—Rev. T. B. Romeys, E. P. Terhune, J. A. De Baun. Elders, J. Armitage, William B. Hull.

On Domestic Missions.—Rev. J. Elmendorf, P. S. Talmage, G. H. Mandeville. Elders, S. B. Stewart, Thomas Miller.

On Foreign Missions.—Rev. J. F. Mesick, C. I. Shepard, O. E. Cobb. Elders, T. Jeremiah, J. N. Rogers.

On the State of Religion.—Rev. J. Forsyth, P. Peltz, C. S. Mead. Elders, A. Drury, B. Van Slyck.

On Education.—Rev. James Eells, R. D. Van Kleeck, J. M. Ferris. Elders, James Myers, G. H. Van Mater.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.—Rev. T. E. Vermilye, H. Doolittle, J. Vanderveer. Elders, W. H. Van Orden, P. L. Hoagland.

On the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds.—Rev. C. L. Van Dyck, W. E. Turner, C. L. Wella. Elders, J. B. Jewett, G. G. Voorhees.

On Publication.—Rev. J. A. Lansing, John Gaston, E. R. Atwater. Elders, R. N. Perlee, J. N. Stearns.

On Nominations.—Rev. B. F. Snyder, P. Furbeck, J. S. Lott. Elders, J. I. Schermerhorn, H. R. Van Ness.

On Correspondence.—Rev. J. Van Vechten, J. L. See, H. R. Timlow. Elders, J. W. Reddington, L. Preston.

On Accounts.—Rev. J. H. Kershow, J. N. Voorhis, James Huyssoon. Elders, Jacob Collier, H. Duryee.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following Report was received from the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, was read and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

The Board of Superintendents met in the Chapel of Hertzog Hall, Tuesday, May 17, at a quarter to 12 o'clock, A.M., and continued its Session until Thursday at 12 M.

Rev. Elbert Nevius, President of the last Board, opened the meeting with prayer.

The following members were present :

Rev. B. C. Taylor,
George J. Van Nest,
D. D. Demarest,
J. L. McNair,
N. P. Pierce,
W. Reiley,
L. H. Van Dyke,
Peter Stryker,
Charles Scott,
I. D. Cole,

Rev. J. C. Cruickshank,
C. S. Hageman,
James Le Fevre,
Elbert Nevins,
John Steele,
C. L. Van Dyck,
H. A. Raymond,
James Bolton,
Leopold Mohn.

The following Classes were not represented in the Board, viz.: Albany, Arcot, Cayuga, Greene, Holland, Illinois, North Long Island, Michigan, New Brunswick, South New York, Philadelphia, and Schenectady.

The term of office of the following members of the Board expires at the next meeting of General Synod.

Classis of Arcot.....	Rev. Joseph Scudder.
Bergen	Leopold Mohn.
Geneva	G. J. Van Neste.
Greene.....	F. N. Zabriskie.
Hudson	D. D. Demarest.
Illinois.....	Ed. P. Livingston.
Michigan.....	Wm. Bailey.
Monmouth	Wm. Reiley.
Orange	Charles Scott.
Saratoga.....	John Steele.
Schoharie.....	H. A. Raymond.
Westchester.....	James Bolton.

The Board was organized by the election of Rev. D. D. Demarest, President, and Rev. J. L. McNair, Clerk, *pro tem*.

From the Report of the Professors it appears that the following students have been connected with the Seminary during the past year:

Senior Class.

Benjamin A. Bartholf,
G. De Witt Bodine,
John W. Borst,
D. Brock,
Sol. T. Cole,
Thomas S Dusenberre,
John Garretson,

C. D. Hartrauft,
Ab. M. Quick,
Wm. B. Van Benschoten,
J. H. Van Doren,
W. A. Van Wagenen,
James Wyckoff..... 13

Middle Class.

Wm. H. Anderson,	W. B. Merritt,
C. Brett,	J. V. N. Schenk,
A. H. Brush,	Fred. E. Schlieder,
P. De Pree,	E. N. Sebring,
J. H. Doremus,	B. T. Statesir,
C. W. Fritta,	S. W. Strong,
Oscar Gregory,	E. Van Slyke,
F. H. Horton,	W. H. Vroom,
J. Justin,	T. W. Wells,
P. Lepeltak,	D. B. Wyckoff..... 20

Junior Class.

A. W. Arcularius	C. H. Pool,
W. H. Brush,	C. H. Riggs,
M. Kiekintveld,	G. Seibert,
A. Kriekaard,	W. Smith,
G. A. Mills,	H. Uiterwyck,
J. H. Smock,	J. M. Vile
G. W. Swain,	A. Wyckoff..... 15
E. C. Oggell,	
Total.....	48

Mr. J. W. Borst, of the Senior Class, after a protracted illness, departed this life on the 3d inst., upon the very threshold of his ministry.

Mr. C. H. Riggs, of the same Class, was obliged to suspend his studies, on account of family affliction.

After the examinations were closed, the following resolution was passed:

Resolved, That the examinations of the several classes be sustained, and that the members of the Senior Class, with the exception of Mr. Van Wagenen, who is absent in the service of the Christian Commission, be recommended for the usual professoral certificate.

Mr. W. P. Zabriskie, of the Middle Class of 1863, having been allowed by the Board to proceed with his Class upon certain conditions, but not having returned, his connection with the Seminary has therefore ceased.

The Board with pleasure notice the establishment of a Reading Room in Hertzog Hall.

Sermons were laid upon the table by all the students except the Junior Class, and the members of the Senior Class were heard in the delivery of specimen sermons, and were examined on personal piety and their views on entering the Ministry.

All the students of the Seminary were interrogated in regard to the law of General Synod on the subject of preaching, and the Board are happy to learn that there has been no violation of the rule.

The examinations were all well sustained, and gave evidence of diligence on the part of the students, and of thoroughness and ability on the part of the Professors.

At the close of the examination the address to the students was delivered by Rev. Peter Stryker.

The Board, in concluding their report, would unite with the Faculty in expressing their thankfulness to God for all his blessings upon our School of the Prophets during the year.

CHAS. S. HAGEMAN, *Chairman.*

A true copy,

P. D. VAN CLEEF, *Stated Clerk.*

A communication was received from Hon. William H. Seward, Secretary of State, in reply to the action of the last General Synod on the state of the country, which was referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents of the Holland Academy, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from the Classis of Raritan on the subject of assessments for Contingent Expenses, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from Rev. Professor John De Witt, of the Theological Seminary, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

Communications were received from Messrs. P. R. Warner and John Van Nest, Esqs., declining re-election to the Board of Direction, which were referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication on the subject of the removal of the Scudder Monument was received, and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

An invitation to the Synod to hold its next stated Session in their church, was received from the Consistory of the First Reformed Dutch Church of New Brunswick, and was accepted.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF CORPORATION.

The following Report of the Board of Direction of the Corporation was received, accompanied with the Annual Digest, the Treasurer's

Annual Account, a list of Securities held by the General Synod, a list of Endowed Scholarships, the Education Fund Income Account, Widows' Fund Account, Widows' Fund Income Account, List of subscribers to the Widows' Fund, Disabled Ministers' Fund Account, together with the report of John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, of the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.

The Board of Direction respectfully report, that they have received a deed of Jerome A. Davenport and Julia A. Davenport (his wife), conveying certain church property at Eden, Fond du Lac county, Wisconsin, to the General Synod. As the Board have no authority to accept the same, and as the acceptance of such property involves some expenses, the subject is referred to the General Synod for their action.

A bequest of Catharine Acker, amounting to \$300, for the support of colporteurs employed by the Sabbath School Union of the Reformed Dutch Church, has also been received; and, as the said Board has been abolished, the disposal of the money requires the action of the General Synod.

The Widows' Fund.—This fund amounts to \$20,539 28. The collections from Churches and donations from individuals, during the past year, amount to \$1,029 90; while the amount withdrawn, during the same period, is \$1,485. As the amount withdrawn exceeds the yearly income, nothing could be paid this year to the annuitants. It is, however, expected that, on the 1st of November next, a payment for the preceding six months may be made.

There are at present fifty-two subscribers to this fund, and ten interested by the donation of Churches.

Church Building Fund.—In accordance with a resolution of the Board of Domestic Missions, there has been paid from this fund, \$1,379 03, for the purpose of securing the church property at South Bend, Indiana.

The Board regret to state that, from the reduction in the rate of interest, and the difficulty in making safe investments on bond and mortgage, owing to the state of the money market, there has been a deficiency in the amount of interest received during the past year. The interest received from the Permanent Professoral Fund has not been sufficient to pay the salaries of the professors by about \$400, and the advances made to meet the expenses of Synod amount to \$1,482. Both justice and necessity require that this amount should be refunded at an early day.

In order to do this, and also to meet promptly the expenses of Synod for the coming year, the Board would respectfully urge upon

the Classes to forward, with as little delay as possible, the amount of assessments for this year.

The following Classes were in arrears, for contingent expenses, on the 30th of April last, viz :

Classis of New Brunswick.....	balance	\$ 40
“ Monmouth.....	“	40
“ Passaic.....		80
“ Paramus.....		120
“ Philadelphia.....		120
“ Montgomery.....	balance	8 31
“ Schoharie.....	“	53 31
“ Orange.....	“	3 31
“ Saratoga.....		66 68
“ Rensselaer.....		75
“ Cayuga.....	50 05	} 132 55
“ “ arrears, Apl. 30, 1863	82 50	
		<hr/> \$739 16

The following Classes were in arrears for assessments for repairs on Rutgers College, 30th of April last :

Classis of Passaic.....	\$ 32 48
“ Schenectady.....	50
“ Montgomery.....	50
“ Schoharie.....	50
“ Ulster.....	3
“ Saratoga.....	40
“ Rensselaer.....	45
“ Cayuga.....	30
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	\$300 48

Further information relative to the funds entrusted to their care will be found in the accompanying Report of the Treasurer.

All which is respectfully submitted,

W. B. CROSBY, *President,*

JOHN L. BROWER, *Treasurer,*

M. S. HUTTON,
P. R. WARNER,
JOHN VAN NEST, } *Directors.*

New York, May 26th, 1864.

Treasurer's Annual Account.

*The General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in
account with JOHN I. BROWER, Treasurer.*

1863.	Dr.	
May 14	To cash paid the following clergymen, the amounts heretofore paid by them into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn:	
	Rev. Wm. S. Heyer.....	\$480 00
	John De Witt, D.D.....	60 00
18	Enoch Van Aken.....	360 00
21	Benjamin Van Zandt, as per his order to James S. Aspinwall...	100 00
30	Nicholas J. Marselus, D.D.....	120 00
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25	paid Board of Education, per F. J. Horsford, Treasurer, for interest on amount of Invested Scholarships.....	\$1,120 00
June 1	the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due this day, viz:	1,210 58
	Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D.....	525 00
	Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D.....	450 00
	Joseph F. Berg, D.D.....	450 00
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3	Rev. Wm. V. V. Mabon, D.D., for traveling expenses as Delegate, in attending the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church at Peoria, Illinois.....	1,425 00
4	Board of Domestic Missions of the R. P. D. Church, per J. Belloni, Treasurer, amount of bequest of Julia A. Vandervoort, deceased...	68 11
9	for insurance on the Peter Hertzog Hall, for one year from this date, viz:	200 00
	Washington Ins. Co., on \$5,000.....	\$37 50
	Manhattan " on 5,000.....	37 50
	N. Brunswick " on 5,000.....	37 50
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15	Rev. T. W. Chambers, D.D., Pres. of General Synod, amount of a special donation to pay his expenses in carrying the resolutions of that body, relating to the state of the country, to the President of the United States.....	112 50
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	Carried forward.....	40 00
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		\$4,176 19

1863.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$4,176 19
June 16	To cash paid Rev. D. D. Demarest, D.D., for one year's salary, to 1st instant, as Stated Clerk of General Synod..... \$150 00	
	for expenses of General Synod at their meeting this month.....	32 02
	for collecting and binding two sets of Minutes of General Synod.....	35 20
		217 22
	the following Delegates for traveling expenses in attending the meeting of General Synod this month, viz:	
19	Rev. William Bailey, from Classis of Michigan.....	\$28 00
	Rev. P. Phelps, Jun., from Classis of Holland.....	28 00
22	Rev. C. G. Van Derveer, from Classis of Illinois.....	36 00
26	Rev. A. Thompson, from Classis of Illinois.....	36 00
		128 00
July 10	from the Church Building Fund, as per Resolution of the Board of Domestic Missions, for the purpose of securing the Church property at South Bend, Indiana..... \$1,879 03	
	interest thereon.....	13 94
		1,892 97
21	the Home Insurance Co., for insurance on the Parsonage dwelling-house, Alexandria, N. Y..	3 15
23	Elizabeth Finehout Jukes, administratrix, <i>ad collegendum</i> , amount of annual payments made by the late Rev. Chas. Jukes into the Widow's Fund, and now withdrawn.....	320 00
30	the Rev. P. D. Van Olee, D.D., as follows, viz: for one year's salary as Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents.....	25 00
	for expenses for the Board.....	2 00
		27 00
Aug. 1	Professor Geo. H. Cook, on account of expenses of filling up and grading the street in the rear of Rutgers College.....	250 00
12	Mrs. Catharine Murphy, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	50 00
19	the North River Insurance Company, for insurance on the furniture and library in the Peter Hertzog Hall, for one year from 20th inst....	45 00
31	the Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for six months' dividend on forty-eight shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.....	240 00
Sept. 1	deposited in the United States Trust Co.....	11,000 00
	Carried forward.....	\$17,849 53

1863		Dr.	
		Brought forward.....	\$17,849 53
Sept.	1	To cash paid the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due this day, viz:	
		Rev. Wm. H. Campbell, D.D.....	\$525 00
		Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D.....	450 00
		Joseph F. Berg, D.D.....	450 00
			1,425 00
	18	paid James C. Bergen, on account of contract for roofing and repairs on Rutgers College.....	1,000 00
Oct.	1	Home Insurance Company, for insurance on buildings connected with the Holland Academy, Michigan, for one year, from September 25th, 1863.....	18 50
	3	Rev. John De Witt, D.D., for expenses in removing to New Brunswick.....	50 00
	5	on account of expenses in filling up and grading the street in the rear of Rutgers College....	50 00
	7	Board of Domestic Missions, per L. J. Belloni, Treasurer, amount of bequest of Catharine Acker, late of Tarrytown, N. Y., deceased....	500 00
	12	Board of Foreign Missions, per G. G. Smith, Treasurer, amount of bequest of Catharine Acker, late of Tarrytown, N. Y., deceased....	500 00
	21	James C. Bergen, the balance due on contract for roofing and repairs on Rutgers College...	525 00
	28	Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.	331 00
		Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D., Treasurer of the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall, for one year's salary of the Janitor to 16th inst.... \$100 00	
		for fuel for same time.....	20 00
			120 00
		Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D., amount paid by him for kitchen range, wall book-case, &c., in the eastern wing of Rutgers College, and now refunded.....	54 00
		for insurance, carpenter's risk on Rutgers Col...	10 80
Nov.	4	Vermilye & Co., for ten U. S. six per cent. "fifty-two" coupon bonds of \$1,000 each.....	10,000 00
	6	Rev. R. W. Knight, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	50 00
		Mrs. Catharine Murphy, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	25 00
	24	Rev. G. H. Mandeville, for expenses as Delegate, in attending the meeting of the Synod of the German Reformed Church, at Carlisle, Pa....	15 00
		Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D., for expense in papering room.....	7 00
		Carried forward.....	\$33,530 83

1863	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$32,530 83
Nov. 25	To cash paid Board of Domestic Missions of R. P. D. Church, per L. J. Belloni, Treasurer, amount of income for the year ending Oct. 1st, 1863, of a portion of the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, directed to be paid for the support of the Domestic Missions of said Church.....	160 59
Dec. 1	the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due this day, viz: Rev. John De Witt, D.D..... \$525 00 Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D..... 450 00 Joseph F. Berg, D.D..... 450 00	1,425 00
11	Rev. John Gray, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	50 00
24	Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, amount of the proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company.....	338 50
	Professor George H. Cook, on account of expense in filling up and grading the street in the rear of Rutgers College.....	100 00
26	Board of Publication, per Wm. Ferris, agent: 1,400 copies of Minutes of General Synod for 1863..... \$417 26 for 200 bill-heads..... 2 25	419 51
29	Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for six months' interest, to Nov. 1st, 1863, on amount of invested scholarships.....	1,600 00
1864 Jan. 6	John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer, Rutgers College, as follows, viz: for one year's interest to June 20th, 1863, on the Henry Rutgers' donation of \$5,000.. \$300 00 for three semi-annual dividends on ten shares of Bergen Turnpike stock, to December 1st, 1863..... 25 00	325 00
13	James L. Schieffelin, amount of note.. \$1,400 00 interest thereon..... 25 31	1,425 31
15	for insurance on Rutgers College, for one year from this date, viz: Greenwich Ins. Co., on \$5,000..... \$27 00 North River " on 3,000..... 18 00	45 00
Feb. 3	Mrs. Catharine Murphy, for appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months from 1st inst.....	25 00
	Carried forward.....	\$38,444 74

1864	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$38,444 74
Feb. 10	By cash paid James C. Bergen, as follows: for repairs to the east and west wings of Rutgers College..... \$123 10 for repairs to fence on College avenue and Hamilton street..... 18 88	
		140 98
20	deposited in the United States Trust Co.....	10,000 00
27	Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for six months' dividend on forty-four shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.....	440 00
	Rev. John De Witt, D.D., for one quarter's salary, due March 1st	525 00
	deposited with United States Assistant Treas- urer.....	11,000 00
March 3	the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst., viz: Rev. Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D.... \$450 00 Joseph F. Berg, D.D..... 450 00	
		900 00
15	the following Professors, the amount of a special contribution from a few friends in the Colleg- iate Church, viz: Rev. John De Witt, D.D..... \$200 00 Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D.... 200 00 Joseph F. Berg, D.D..... 200 00	
		600 00
April 5	Professor George H. Cook, for expenses of pav- ing and laying curb stone on the street in the rear of Rutgers College (Hamilton street) as per bill of Davis Carel.....	464 80
	Professor Geo. H. Cook, for expenses repairing Somerset street, as per bill of the City of New Brunswick.....	24 00
12	Rev. John A. Lansing, D.D., for traveling ex- penses in attending the meeting of General Synod in June 1863, to preach the sermon on the benevolent operations of the Church.....	2 50
14	the Home Insurance Company, for insurance on the Holland Academy, Michigan, for one year from this date.....	62 50
26	Board of Domestic Missions, per L. J. Belloni, Treasurer, for interest on \$250, bequeathed by Jacob Van Benschoten, deceased, the in- terest of which to be paid to said Board.....	44 74
30	Rev. Robert B. Campfield, D.D., seventy-five per cent. of the amount heretofore paid by him into the Widows' Fund, and now withdrawn, as per rules governing the Fund.....	45 00
	Carried forward.....	\$62,694 21

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1864	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$62,694 21
April 30	By cash paid John L. Brower, for one year's salary to this date as Treasurer of General Synod.....	\$450 00
	for postage, stationery, and discount on uncurrent funds.....	22 24
		<u>\$472 24</u>
	for one year's salary for management of the Widows' Fund.....	\$150 00
	for postage, stationery, and discount on uncurrent funds	8 94
		<u>\$158 94</u>
		631 18
		<u>\$63,325 39</u>
	Balance on hand carried to new account.....	9,210 66
		<u>\$72,536 05</u>

1863	Cr.	
April 30	By balance from last account.....	\$2,993 99
May 14	By cash received for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	162 50
	for six months' interest to April 28th, on two bonds of \$6,500 each.....	455 00
25	for six months' interest to 1st instant., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
	for six months' interest to 16th inst., on bond of \$12,000.....	360 00
	for one year's interest to 1st inst., on subscription of the Collegiate R. P. D. Church of \$5,000 to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	300 00
29	from executors of the estate of Julia A. Vandervoort, deceased, amount of bequest for the support of the Domestic Missionary operations of the R. P. D. Church.....	200 00
	from Asa L. Shipman, executor of the estate of Daniel Fanshaw, deceased, in payment of three bonds..... \$11,000 00	
	interest thereon..... 34 22	
		11,034 22
30	for six months' interest to 2d inst., on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
	for six months' interest to 2d inst., on \$1,000, balance of bond.....	35 00
June 3	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$20,000.....	600 00
	for six months' interest to May 21st, on \$6,000 balance of bond.....	180 00
4	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on two bonds of \$7,500 each.....	487 50
15	from a member of General Synod, as a special donation to pay the expenses of the President thereof in carrying the resolutions of that body, relating to the state of the country, to the President of the United States.....	40 00
	from John Sandaal, balance due on his bond..... \$800 00	
	interest thereon..... 87 70	
		867 70
24	for six months' interest to May 1st, on \$5,000, balance of bond.....	175 00
	for six months' interest to this date, on bond of \$9,000.....	315 00
	from the following, for one year's interest to May 1st, on their subscriptions to the Permanent Fund of General Synod, viz:	
July 17	D. W. Wetmore.....	\$30 00
23	Samuel Smith, Esq.....	15 00
27	Estate of Cornelius Duryee, per Geo. W. Jewett, Executor.....	15 00
		60 00
	Carried forward.....	\$18,475 91

1863	Cr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$18,475 91
Aug. 12	By cash received for six months' interest to 5th inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	162 50
	for six months' interest to 5th inst., on bond of \$4,000.....	130 00
21	for six months' dividend on 48 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.....	240 00
29	for six months' interest on two bonds of the New York and New Haven Railroad Co.....	67 90
Sept. 1	for six months' interest to this date, on \$2,750, balance of bond.....	96 25
	on account of a judgment of foreclosure obtained by General Synod.....	1,000 00
28	from executors of the will of Catharine Acker, late of Tarrytown, New York, deceased, the following sums bequeathed in said will, viz: for the maintenance and support of the Domestic Missionary operations of the R. P. D. Church.....	\$500 00
	for the maintenance and support of the Foreign Missions of the R. P. D. Church.....	\$500 00
Oct. 15	for the support of the colporteurs em- ployed by the Sabbath School Union of the R. P. D. Church.....	\$300 00
		1,800 00
7	borrowed on note dated Oct. 7th, 1863, at 90 days.....	1,400 00
14	for proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.....	331 00
15	for six months' interest to 16th inst., on \$4,000, balance of bond.....	140 00
24	from Thomas C. Doremus, for two years interest to May 1st, 1863, on his subscription to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	60 00
26	for six months' interest to 22d inst., on two bonds, amounting to \$5,250.....	183 75
	for six months' interest to 21st inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
28	from Jacob Brouwer, executor of estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, amount of income for the year ending 1st inst., from a portion of said estate, for the support of the Domestic Missions of the R. P. D. Church.....	160 59
Nov. 3	from L. K. Miller, Esq., amount of proceeds of a bond and mortgage foreclosed by him.....	\$10,000 00
	interest thereon.....	786 39
		10,786 39
10	for six months' interest to October 27th, on bond of \$2,800.....	84 00
	for six months' interest to October 27th, on bond of \$3,000.....	70 00
	Carried forward.....	\$34,838 29

1863	Cr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$24,888 29
Nov. 10	By cash received for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$5,000.	150 00
	for six months' interest to 16th inst., on bond of 12,000.....	360 00
	for six months' interest to October 29th, on bond of 15,000.....	450 00
11	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
14	for six months' interest to 2d inst., on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
	for six months' interest to 2d inst., on \$1,000, balance of bond.....	35 00
21	for six months' interest to this date, on \$5,000, balance of bond.....	180 00
Dec. 2	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$20,000.....	600 00
3	for six months' interest to October 28th, on two bonds of \$6,500 each.....	390 00
	from R. P. D. Church, Battle Creek, Michigan, on account of interest due on bond of Trustees of said Church for \$2,800.....	31 05
	from L. K. Miller, Esq., balance due on a bond and mortgage foreclosed by him.....	206 73
4	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on two bonds \$7,500 each.....	450 00
18	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on two bonds of the New York & New Haven Railroad Co.	67 90
21	for proceeds of the sale of two shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.	338 50
24	from A. N. Brown, in payment of his bond and mortgage..... \$9,000 00	
	interest thereon..... 315 00	
		9,315 00
30	from Vermilye & Co., for part of commission allowed on purchase of \$10,000 United States bonds.....	12 50
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Jan. 6	from Thomas H. Herring, Treasurer, for three semi-annual dividends on 23 shares of the Bergen Turnpike stock, to Dec. 1st, 1863.....	57 50
Feb. 9	for six months' interest to 5th inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
	for six months' interest to 5th inst., on bond of \$4,000.....	120 00
20	for six months' dividend on 44 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.	440 00
26	from United States Trust Company, for interest on deposit of \$11,000..... \$160 41	
	for amount of deposit withdrawn.... 11,000 00	
		11,160 41
March 1	for six months' interest to this date on \$1,750, balance of bond	61 25
	Carried forward.....	\$59,634 13

1864	Cr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$59,684 12
March 12	By cash received from a few friends in the Collegiate Church, as a special contribution to the three Professors in the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, in consideration of the increased expenses in living.....	600 00
April 12	for six months' interest to 16th inst., on \$4,000 balance of bond.....	140 00
18	for one year's interest to 1st inst., on six bonds of the township of Holland, Michigan.....	42 00
21	for six months' interest to this date, on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
25	for six months' interest to 22d inst., on two bonds amounting to \$5,250.....	183 75
26	from Jacob Brouwer, executor of the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, on account of the proportion of the proceeds of said estate, to which the General Synod is entitled, to be applied for the support of the Domestic Missions of the R. P. D. Church.....\$2,000 00	
	for income of a portion of said estate to Nov. 12, 1863, to be applied for the support of the Domestic Missions of said Church.....	47 19
		2,047 19
27	for interest on United States six per cent bonds.....	\$295 10
	premium for gold	236 08
		531 18
	from the following Classes, during the year, for Minutes of General Synod, viz:	
	Cayuga.....	\$86 00
	Orange.....	70 00
	Michigan.....	10 00
	Schoharie.....	2 70
	Westchester.....	46 50
	Geneva.....	8 40
	Paramus.....	29 26
	Bergen.....	16 80
	New York.....	39 90
	Kingston.....	8 75
	Rensselaer.....	40 00
	South New York.....	17 50
	Greene.....	9 10
	Passaic.....	4 75
	North Long Island.....	14 00
	Wisconsin.....	3 50
	New Brunswick.....	46 52
	Hudson.....	4 90
	Ulster.....	35 00
	Poughkeepsie.....	14 00
	Carried forward.....	\$63,328 25

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Brought forward.....		\$63,328 25
South Long Island.....	15 05	
" Bergen.....	26 85	
Holland.....	8 20	
Monmouth.....	6 65	
Montgomery.....	10 50	
Philadelphia.....	19 22	
Albany.....	15 00	
Raritan.....	15 70	
received for sale of old Minutes.....	1 50	

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By cash received from the following Classes, during the year, for Contingent Expenses of General Synod, viz:

Saratoga.....	\$52 88
Orange.....	98 75
North Dutch Church, Brooklyn...	10 00
Passaic.....	86 62
Hudson.....	92 00
Kingston.....	66 68
Ulster.....	83 31
South New York.....	100 00
North Long Island.....	130 00
R. D. Church at Schenectady....	12 00
South Bergen.....	144 00
Geneva.....	50 05
Westchester.....	65 00
South Long Island.....	162 70
New York.....	300 00
Albany.....	83 31
Monmouth.....	60 00
Poughkeepsie.....	112 75
Schoharie.....	30 00
Montgomery.....	75 00
Bergen.....	86 00
New Brunswick.....	60 00
Raritan.....	100 00
Schenectady.....	173 18
Greene.....	66 68

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from the following Classes for Repairs on Rutgers

College:	
Hudson.....	\$50 00
Paramus.....	66 66
Kingston.....	40 00
Raritan.....	55 55
North Long Island.....	70 48
Monmouth.....	55 55
South Bergen.....	76 00
Westchester.....	35 69
South New York.....	55 55
Geneva.....	30 00

Carried forward..... \$66,25 241

1864	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$66,252 41
	New Brunswick.....	55 55
	New York.....	166 66
	Passaic.....	10 00
	Albany.....	50 00
	Poughkeepsie.....	55 55
	Orange.....	50 00
	Greene.....	40 00
	Philadelphia.....	66 66
	Bergen.....	47 67
	Ulster.....	47 00
	South Long Island.....	100 00
		1,224 52
	By cash received, during the year, for the Widows'	
	Fund, viz:	
	from R. D. Church, Kalamazoo.....	\$2 65
	" " Alto.....	20 00
	Mrs. M. D. of 1st R. D. Church, Brooklyn	100 00
	R. D. Church, Astoria, Long Island...	14 00
	P. V. N. Morris.....	5 00
	First R. D. Church, Jersey City.....	22 75
	R. D. Church, Newtown, L. I.	21 61
	North West R. D. Church, 23d st., N. Y.	38 84
	Second R. D. Church, Hackensack....	20 00
	R. D. Church, Market st., New York..	23 80
	Second R. D. Church, Schenectady....	7 07
	R. D. Church, Oyster Bay, L. I.....	12 40
	First R. D. Church, New Brunswick..	15 81
	" " Brooklyn.....	48 70
	Second " New Brunswick..	8 12
	Collegiate R. D. Church, New York...	122 75
	R. D. Church on Heights, Brooklyn...	23 03
	" " Six Mile Run, N. J.....	17 50
	" " 24th N. Y.....	5 00
	" " Gravesend, L. I.....	7 75
	" " Pekin, Ill.....	14 40
	" " Griggstown, N. J.....	5 60
	" " Franklin, N. J.....	4 09
	South R. D. Church, Brooklyn.....	4 22
	A Friend, Griggstown, N. J.....	1 00
	R. D. Church, Upper Neveralnk.....	2 00
	Second R. D. Church, Albany.....	50 00
	First " " Van Voorst, Jer-	
	sey City.....	10 87
	R. D. Church, Clarkstown.....	8 71
	" " Leeds, N. Y.....	3 00
	" " English Neighborhood.	11 00
	" " Hudson, N. Y.....	30 50
	" " Geneva.....	14 00
	" " Overysel, Michigan...	7 00
	" " New Brooklyn.....	2 00
	" " Middlebnsh, N. J.....	12 28
	Carried forward.....	\$67,476 92

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Brought forward.....	\$67,476 93
Second R. D. Church, Poughkeepsie...	21 73
" " " Grand Rapids,	
Michigan	10 00
R. D. Church, Moresville.....	6 27
" " South Gilboa.....	6 25
" " Irvington.....	5 00
" " Flatlands, L. I.....	5 34
" " New Baltimore.....	13 00
" " Coeymans.....	17 80
First R. D. Church, Williamsburgh, L. I	20 78

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By cash received, during the year, from the following Churches; \$20 of each amount is to apply to the credit of the Pastor, as follows, viz:

North R. D. Church, Brooklyn; Rev. Anthony Elmendorf, D.D., Pastor..	\$23 88
R. D. Church, East Millstone, Rev. M. L. Berger, Pastor.....	20 90
R. D. Church, Belleville, N. J., Rev. Peter Studdeford, Pastor.....	20 00
Ladies of R. D. Church, Bergen Point, N. J., Rev. Henry W. F. Jones, Pastor	20 00
R. D. Church, Prattville, N. Y., Rev. Archibald F. Gilbert, Pastor.....	22 50
R. D. Church, Roxbury, N. Y., Rev. John K. Rhinehart, Pastor.....	20 00
Second R. D. Church, Bethlehem, N. Y., Rev. Jacob L. Pearce, Pastor.....	20 00
R. D. Churches at Jerusalem and Union N. Y., Rev. Albert V. Gulick, Pastor	20 00
R. D. Church, New Baltimore, Rev. Robert G. Strong, Pastor.....	20 00
Third R. D. Church, Albany, Rev. Wm. Bailey, Pastor.....	20 00

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received from the following Clergymen, for their Annual Payments to the Widows' Fund, viz:

Rev. John Du Bois.....	\$20 00
Charles Becker.....	20 00
A. B. Taylor.....	20 00
David D. Demarest, D.D.....	20 00
Charles S. Doepenschmidt.....	20 00
James B. Hardenbergh, D.D.....	20 00
Joseph Wilson.....	20 00
Phillip Phelps, Jr.....	20 00
R. O. Currie, D.D.....	20 00
Peter J. Quick.....	20 00
James Eells, D.D.....	20 00
Peter Stryker.....	20 00
Herman B. Stryker.....	20 00
John M. Ferris.....	20 00

Carried forward..... \$68,506 83

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Brought forward.....		\$68,506 83
William Lyall.....	\$20 00	
Isaac N. Wyckoff, D.D.....	20 00	
P. D. Van Cleef, D.D.....	20 00	
Benjamin Baseler.....	20 00	
Henry A. Raymond.....	20 00	
George H. Peeke.....	20 00	
Cyril Spaulding.....	20 00	
Jacob West.....	20 00	
Charles Becker.....	20 00	
John A. Lansing, D.D.....	20 00	
Cornelius L. Van Dyck.....	20 00	
Henry A. Friedel.....	20 00	
Philip Peltz.....	20 00	
Gustavus E. Gramm.....	20 00	
Alexander McKelvey.....	20 00	
Henry E. Decker.....	20 00	
John T. Demarest, D.D.....	20 00	
John H. Duryea.....	20 00	
Isaac S. Demund.....	20 00	
James R. Talmage.....	20 00	
		680 00
By cash received for the Widows' Fund Income Account, from R. D. Church, Middletown, N. J., received, during the year, for the Church Building Fund, as follows:		18 00
from R. D. Church, New Durham, N. J.....	\$12 89	
Rev. M. Swick.....	5 00	
P. V. N. Morris.....	5 00	
Abm. C. Bodine.....	5 00	
a Member of the First R. D. Church, New Brunswick.....	20 00	
R. D. Church, Hudson, N. Y.....	38 20	
" " Franklin, N. J.....	4 75	
" " Middletown, N. J.....	14 00	
" " Newtown, L. I.....	18 44	
" " East Williamsburgh.....	2 00	
" " Leeds, N. Y.....	6 00	
North R. D. Church, Brooklyn.....	35 76	
First R. D. Church, Van Voorst, Jersey City.....	40 05	
R. D. Church, Lysander.....	4 00	
" " Berea, N. Y.....	8 00	
" " Port Jervis.....	12 58	
" " South Brooklyn.....	5 05	
Second R. D. Church, Coxsackie.....	10 00	
First " " New Brunswick.....	14 19	
Second " " Schenectady.....	8 00	
R. D. Church, Paramus.....	12 50	
" " Astoria, L. I.....	16 00	
" " Shawangunk.....	17 50	
" " 84th street, New York.....	50 00	
Carried forward.....		\$69,199 83

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Brought forward.....		\$69,199 83
R. D. Church on the Heights, Brooklyn	63 55	
North West, R. D. Church, 23d st., N. Y.	47 38	
"A Friend," East Williamsburgh, L. I.	6 00	
R. D. Church, Lisha's Kill.....	8 00	
" " Easton, Pa.....	21 00	
" " Roxbury, N. Y.....	13 00	
" " New Prospect.....	3 97	
" " Centreville, Michigan..	4 00	
" " New Brooklyn.....	2 00	
" " Lodi, N. J.....	4 00	
North R. D. Church, Gowanus, Br'klyn	11 20	
R. D. Church, Pompton Plains.....	12 10	
" " New Utrecht.....	50 00	
" " Newburgh.....	26 00	
" " Huguenots, S. I.....	2 43	
First R. D. Church, Hackensack.....	304 00	
R. D. Church, New Durham, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	175 00	
Third R. D. Church, Jersey City, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	177 01	
First R. D. Church, Hoboken, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	9 75	
First R. D. Church, Jersey City, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	300 00	
First R. D. Church, Van Voorst, Jersey City, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	269 00	
First R. D. Church, Newark, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	50 28	
Second R. D. Church, Hackensack, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	100 00	
R. D. Church, English Neighborhood, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	18 45	
R. D. Church, Schraalenbergh, per Rev. M. B. Riddle.....	84 00	
R. D. Church, Lodi, N. Y.....	9 25	
Second R. D. Church, Holland, Mich..	6 70	
Collegiate R. D. Church, New York...	620 43	
R. D. Church, Hurley.....	13 00	
" " Irvington, N. J.....	5 00	
" " Flatbush, L. I.....	21 35	
Rev. H. Schnellendrussler.....	2 00	
		2,799 26
By cash received during the year, for the Dis-		
abled Ministers' Fund (late the Sus-		
tentation Fund,) as follows, viz:		
R. D. Church, Zeeland, Michigan....	5 65	
North West R. D. Church, 23d st., N. Y.	32 84	
R. D. Church, Port Jervis.....	25 15	
" " New Lots.....	15 00	
" " Jeffersonville.....	95	
" " Thumansville.....	2 05	
First R. D. Church, Brooklyn.....	43 71	
Carried forward.....		\$71,999 09

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	Brought forward.....	\$71,999 09
	Second R. D. Church, New Brunswick..	8 13
	R. D. Church, Astoria.....	\$16 10
	Collegiate R. D. Church, New York..	185 75
	R. D. Church on the Heights, Br'klyn	43 02
	" " Gravesend.....	7 75
	" " Hudson, N. Y.....	25 08
	South R. D. Church, Brooklyn.....	4 23
	R. D. Church, Leeds, N. Y.....	3 00
	" " Drenthe.....	4 00
	" " Long Branch.....	5 00
	North R. D. Church, Brooklyn.....	23 88
	R. D. Church, East New York.....	10 77
	" " Prospect Hill, N. Y....	18 30
	P. V. N. Morris.....	5 00
	First R. D. Church, New Brunswick..	16 25
	R. D. Church, New Brooklyn.....	3 00
	" " Overyssel, Michigan....	7 10
	" " Middletown, N. J.....	15 00
	" " Flatlands, L. I.....	5 33
	" " Shawangunk.....	5 00
		536 96
	Total.....	\$72,536 05
	By balance on hand brought forward.....	\$9,210 66

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

New York, April 30th, 1864.

The subscribers, a committee appointed to examine the accounts of John I. Brower, Treasurer, have examined the same, with the vouchers exhibited by him, and find them correct, leaving a balance on hand of nine thousand two hundred and ten dollars and sixty-six cents.

W. B. CROSBY, }
JOHN VAN NEST, } *Committee.*

26th May, 1864.

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The Board of Direction submit to General Synod their Annual Digest, as follows :

FUNDS DEVOTED TO EDUCATION.

THE VAN BENSCHOTEN FUND.

This Fund, as reported by John C. Elmendorf, Treasurer of Rutgers College, which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages upon property in the State of New Jersey, and invested in United States Five-twenty Government bonds, amounted,	
on 1st April, 1864, to.....	\$20,313 57
Cash on hand, April 1st, 1864.....	1,071 77
There has been paid to students, out of the interest of this Fund, during the year.....	1,350 00

LEGACY OF MISS REBECCA KNOX.

The amount of this Fund, which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages upon property in the State of New Jersey, is....	
Cash on hand, 1st April, 1864.....	\$2,000 00
There has been paid to students, out of the income of this Fund, during the past year.....	233 11
	75 00

EDUCATION FUND.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds secured by mortgages, and in bonds, and on deposits drawing interest, for educational purposes....	
Balance of principal on 30th April, 1864.....	\$57,000 00
Balance of interest received to 30th April, 1864.....	1,107 28
	1,884 66

WIDOWS' FUND.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction on bonds secured by mortgages, in bonds, &c., for this Fund.....	\$18,300 00
Balance of principal on 30th April, 1864.....	2,239 28
In consequence of the large amount withdrawn by former subscribers, and of which notice had been given previous to 30th April, 1863, the income of this Fund for the year was deficient in the sum of.....	56 50

PERMANENT PROFESSORAL FUND.

Under this head are included all the moneys which have been collected and invested on the subscriptions for the Professorships, as well as the moneys formerly in the hands of the Trustees of Rutgers College; also the donation of \$5,000 by the late Colonel Henry Rutgers for the benefit of Rutgers College, viz:

Loaned by the Board of Direction, secured by bonds and mortgages on real estate (excepting four bonds of the Collegiate Dutch Church, which are not accompanied by mortgages), and invested in Government bonds, &c.....	\$35,150 00
Twenty-three shares of Bergen Turnpike Stock, ten of which belong to Rutgers College, valued at.....	230 00
Amount of unpaid subscriptions to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	\$12,250 00
Deduct amount which the Board believe cannot be collected	6,250 00
Leaving subscriptions supposed to be good.....	6,000 00

PERMANENT CONTINGENT FUND.

The amount of this Fund on 30th April, 1864, is.....	\$1,269 07
Of which there is loaned and invested.....	1,100 00

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

There has been invested for this Board on bond secured by mortgage, &c.....	\$250 00
Balance of interest to 30th April, 1864.....	\$14 91
Amount received from estate of W. Mandeville, dec'd..	2,047 19
Also bequest of Catharine Acker for the support of Colporteurs employed by the S. S. Union of the R. D. Church, but held for the disposal of the General Synod.....	800 00
	2,362 10

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

The balance of this Fund on 30th April, 1864, is..... \$650 66

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The amount of this Fund on 30th April, 1864, is..... \$7,415 10

For which the Board of Direction holds bonds and mortgages,
and judgment of foreclosure on Church at South Bend, In-
diana, to the amount of..... \$5,079 03

Balance in hands of the Treasurer..... 2,336 07

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

There has been received for Minutes of General Synod during the
year..... \$624 25

And there has been paid for printing Minutes..... 419 51

ASSETS IN THE HANDS OF THE TREASURER.

Bonds and mortgages, and bonds, amounting to..... \$135,579 03

Invested in United States Five-twenty Bonds, and on deposit
with United States Treasury and United States Trust Co... 31,000 00

Cash, balance in bank..... 9,210 66

Advanced in anticipation of receipts for contingent
expenses..... \$1,482 16

Amount of Widows' Fund income..... 56 50

1,538 66

\$177,628 35

NEW YORK, 26th May, 1864.

W. B. CROSBY, *President.*

M. S. HUTTON,
P. R. WARNER, } *Directors.*
JOHN VAN NEST,

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

So much of the above Report and Documents as relates to the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds, was referred to the Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds. So much as relates to Sunday School Union, to the Committee on Domestic Missions. The papers relating to education, and the reports on the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds, to the Committee on Education, and the remainder to the Committee on the Professorate.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, the Synod proceeded to the election of the Board of Direction of the Corporation. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were chosen : Mr. William B. Crosby, President, Rev. M. S. Hutton, Messrs. P. R. Warner and John Van Nest, Directors, and Mr. John I. Brower, Treasurer.

ARTICLE V.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The following Report of Rev. D. D. Demarest, delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, held at Newark, N. J., was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.

The undersigned, as your Delegate, attended the meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, held at Newark, N. J. He remained during six days, and was greatly interested in the proceedings of that large and influential body of Christians. He was treated with courtesy, and the salutations of the Synod were responded to with hearty and emphatic assurances of an interest in our welfare, of wishes for our enlargement, and of prayers for the success of all our plans for the promotion of the glory of the Redeemer.

DAVID D. DEMAREST.

HUDSON, May 27th, 1864.

The following Report of Rev. G. H. Mandeville, Delegate to the Synod of the German Reformed Church, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

To the President of the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

The undersigned would respectfully report :

That he attended, as Delegate of General Synod, the Synod of the German Reformed Church at its session held at Carlisle, Pennsylvania.

nia, in October, 1863. He tendered to the Synod the Christian salutations of the Reformed Dutch Church, and also laid before the body to which he was commissioned, the action of the General Synod at its session at Newburgh, N. Y., June, 1863, on the subject of renewing correspondence between the two bodies. (See Minutes, p. 276.)

Your Delegate was cordially and affectionately welcomed, and courteously entertained. He found but one sentiment pervading the Synod—that of rejoicing, and of gratitude to the Great Head of the Church at the overture of the General Synod. The older members of the Synod seemed peculiarly impressed with the action. One aged father in the ministry says, “Tell your General Synod that you saw one brother who was present when the first correspondence was inaugurated, and who rejoices greatly at this renewal of friendly Christian fellowship.”

Your Delegate greatly enjoyed his visit to the brethren of the German Synod. He was favorably impressed with the dignity and earnestness and Christian fervor which characterized their deliberations and action. The Tercentenary Anniversary of the Heidelberg Catechism has awakened a spirit of liberality and enthusiasm in the German Reformed Church that must affect powerfully the development of its resources and energies in the spiritual culture of the vast field that lies before it.

The proposition of the General Synod was referred to a special committee, of which Rev. Henry Harbaugh, D.D., was Chairman. The following is a copy of the action of the Synod, as presented by Report of the committee :

“1. That we extend to the Delegate, and through him to the Church he represents, our cordial Christian greeting.

“2. That we approve of the object contemplated in his appointment—namely, to reopen correspondence by a mutual interchange of delegates.

“3. That this Synod appoint ———, *Primarius*, and ———, *Secundus*, to attend the next meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, as delegates from this body.”

These blanks were subsequently filled as follows:—Rev. George H. Russell, *Primarius*, and Rev. Jacob O. Miller, *Secundus*.

Your Delegate may be permitted to add, that he found prevailing among the members of the Synod a very strong desire that a similar correspondence might be established between your venerable body and the *General Synod* of the German Reformed Church, which meets *triennially*, and which held its first session during the fall of 1863.

Respectfully submitted,

G. HENRY MANDEVILLE

NEWBURGH, June 1st, 1864.

The following Report of Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye, delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, held at Dayton, Ohio, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence :

The undersigned, appointed by the General Synod of 1863, as Corresponding Delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to convene at Dayton, Ohio, in the month of May, 1864, respectfully reports :

That he performed the duty assigned him, and was received by that body with great cordiality and Christian courtesy. The Assembly was numerous, and a delightful spirit of harmony and devotion seemed to pervade all its meetings. Your Delegate at parting, took occasion to explain the historical relations of our Church to the Church of Holland; its past history in this country, its spirit and its present condition. On the subject of the difficulty which last year embarrassed our proposal of fraternal correspondence with them, he kindly and frankly stated that the resolution of the General Synod was perhaps susceptible of an interpretation which might seem to reflect upon that body, but he felt that they should have considered that when the General Synod was offering fraternal intercourse, a thing they were under no obligation to do, it was not possible that in the same act the Synod should have intended to say what would be disrespectful and unkind to the Assembly. This fact must of itself refute any malignant interpretation these naked resolutions might possibly bear. Your Delegate enlarged upon the general desirableness of greater union among Protestants of substantially the same family, especially at the present period in the history of our country and of the world, and expressed the hope that the correspondence now begun might be continued, and be productive of good to our Churches and the Kingdom of our common Lord. To this address the Moderator responded in a most happy manner, and with a brotherly cordiality, in which the entire Assembly manifestly united. Your Delegate returns his thanks to the Synod for the unexpected honor of this appointment, and hopes that our intercourse with this large and influential body of the Presbyterian family, so auspiciously inaugurated, may be perpetuated and be made a blessing through many coming years.

THOMAS E. VERMILYE.

SCHENECTADY, June 2d, 1864.

Resolved, That it be referred to the Committee on Correspondence, to enquire into the expediency of reopening correspondence with the Reformed Presbyterian Church by delegation, and as well, of organizing correspondence by delegation with other Christian bodies, who hold substantially the like faith with ourselves, and with whom we now have no such connection.

Rev. E. R. Craven, D.D., appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a Corresponding Delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, held at Newark, N. J.

Rev. Robert R. Booth appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a Corresponding Delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, held at Dayton, Ohio.

Rev. George B. Russell appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a Corresponding Delegate from the Synod of the German Reformed Church in the United States.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on Correspondence beg leave to report:

It is a cheering and encouraging sign of the times, that the various evangelical denominations are indicating a purpose to become more closely united in their common work. And in our particular body there are unmistakable evidences of a growing sympathy and a desire for a closer fellowship with the various branches of the Protestant Church. There is no abatement of love for the distinguishing doctrines and polity of the Reformed Dutch Church, but there prevails the feeling of a deep felt necessity for a more intimate intercourse and even substantial alliance in the great work, that will more fully demonstrate the unity and power of the Church of Christ. Your Committee feel that Providence clearly indicates that at this particular time this spirit should be specially fostered. When we consider the rapid rise and progress of fatal errors, the spread of corrupted forms of religion, and the terrible combinations of the enemies of the Gospel; while there is no fear of the ultimate issue, is there not, however, a strong reason for the various Christian denominations drawing closer together, that a united front may be presented, and that each may share in the sympathy, encouragement and support of all the others. What is needful is to impress the world with the fact of the substantial oneness of the Christian Church, notwithstanding there are numerous families bearing different names. Does it not seem that the time has even now come when the reproach of the Church, based upon the fact of controversies, divisions, and apathy among the several branches of the Church, is to be removed? Surely, as far as the Presbyterian family of Churches is concerned, this time has come. No one can dispute this after hearing the reports of our Delegates to other bodies with which we are in correspondence, and of the Delegates of these bodies to us.

Your Committee have had placed in their hands a resolution of this Synod, looking to a more extended correspondence. The Reformed Presbyterian Church and the United Presbyterian Church of North America were particularly referred to. Your Committee recommend, that such correspondence be opened, and delegates appointed to attend the next annual meeting of these bodies. The Reformed Presbyterian Church has for her standards the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechism, and her "Declaration and Testimony," published in 1843.

The United Presbyterian Church of North America is constituted of a union of the larger parts of the Associate Reformed Church, and the Associated Presbyterian Church. The union was effected in 1858. This body also adheres to the Westminster symbol. These denominations, therefore, agree with us substantially in doctrine and polity. In extending our correspondence (a work that can only be gradually done) we naturally seek those in doctrinal and ecclesiastical sympathy with us.

Your Committee deem it unadvisable to increase this correspondence during the present year, farther than to embrace the two bodies above named.

The Delegates to the Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, that met at Dayton, Ohio, the Assembly that met at Newark, N. J., and to the German Reformed Church, report that they respectively discharged their pleasing duty. They were cordially and affectionately received. By them these bodies send to us their friendly salutations, and most satisfactory assurances of their love for us, and their desire to do all that is necessary to perfect the coöperation of all denominations of Christians.

The German Reformed Church, through our Delegate, send us a request to meet them by delegate at their triennial meeting in 1866. It is recommended that no action be taken at present upon this request, but that it be left for the action of our Synod that year.

In behalf of the Committee,

HEMAN R. TIMLOW.

Rev. Thomas C. Strong was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to meet at Pittsburgh, and the Rev. John A. Lansing, *Secundus*.

Rev. E. E. Seelye was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to meet at Brooklyn, and the Rev. Joachim Elmendorf, *Secundus*.

Rev. R. O. Currie was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the Synod of the German Reformed Church, and Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef, *Secundus*.

Rev. John Forsyth was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the Gene-

ral Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in North America, and Rev. A. T. Stewart, *Secundus*.

Rev. J. Gaston was elected Delegate, *Primarius*, to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church in North America, and Rev. G. H. Fisher, *Secundus*.

ARTICLE VI.

SYNODICAL REPORT.

The Committee on the State of Religion presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on the State of Religion beg leave to present the following Report :

Considering the condition of our country, and the absorbing nature of the events amid which we live, it would not have been surprising if from all parts of the Church the cry had reached us that the past year had been one of great spiritual barrenness. Never before in the history of our land were men in greater danger than now, of substituting patriotism for piety; for not to insist upon the tendencies of the times in this direction, and the tone of a good deal of our current literature, there are those claiming to speak in the name of Christ, who teach that he who at his country's call gives up his life in her defense, can have no guilt that needs to be cleansed in atoning blood. In times such as ours, we may be sure that our great enemy and Christ's grand rival is specially active, and in his own proper garb, or in the array of a pretended angel of light, is ever at work trying to close men's ears against His voice who speaks to them from heaven, and who alone can save. It need not then have astonished us if those who are preaching the Gospel of the Kingdom had been compelled, one and all, to join in the lamentation, "Who hath believed *our* report."

But, blessed be the name of our God, even in these troublous times and during the past year, He has given unmistakeable proofs that He has been and still is in the midst of this Church, and that His glorious Gospel, faithfully preached by her pastors, has lost none of its power to quicken dead souls and to sanctify living ones, as we are sure it never can lose it

Till all the ransomed Church of God
Be saved to sin no more.

The Minutes of the Particular Synods, which we have carefully examined, and the Reports of the various Boards, to which we have attentively listened, furnish ample grounds for devout thanksgiving to our Lord and Saviour. The past year has not, indeed, been marked

by an abundant outpouring of the Spirit on the whole Church. Such "years of grace," alas, in consequence of our feeble faith and poor prayers, come but rarely. Yet not a few of our congregations declare that it has been even a memorable one in their history for its spiritual results. And though the great mass of the Churches has not been gladdened by such blessed experiences, yet they testify that the good word of God has been glorified in the edification of believers, and in constant though not large accessions to their fellowship. They have been "edified, and walking in the fear of the Lord and the comfort of the Holy Ghost were multiplied."

From the statistical tables we learn that during the year just closed 2,565 have been added to the Church on confession of their faith. These, in one view, make up only a little sheaf, but we may still rejoice over it as the prelude and the pledge of the ample and immortal harvest which we shall ere long reap, if we faint not; if with faith and love, though with many tears, we go forth bearing and scattering the precious seed.

In this connection it may be proper to state, that the amount raised over the whole Church during the year, for *benevolent* and *religious* purposes, is \$282,491 69, and for *congregational* purposes is \$538,056 10. We mention this not for mutual gratulation, much less for boasting, but rather to awaken thanks to Him who is teaching His people the lesson they are so slow to learn, that "it is more blessed to give than to receive." The signal success, too, which has attended the effort to endow Rutgers College, makes this a memorable year in our history, and it encourages the hope that the Church will not withhold the means which are needed completely to equip our school of the prophets for its great work of training a living ministry.

The present condition of the Synod of Chicago cannot fail to arrest the attention and engage the sympathies of all who love the Church. Its growing numbers and its manifold indications of a vigorous spiritual life call for profound gratitude to the Church's Head. The toils and trials of past years are now yielding rich results, and we may now trust that with the continued presence and help of their Lord and ours, that Synod will become in ever growing measure the radiating center of blessed influences, not only over the vast prairies of the West, but also to other and more distant lands.

We have reason to praise the Lord, that during the past year, harmony has been preserved over the whole Church; not the harmony of the spiritually dead, but that of living men in Christ Jesus, who have one Lord, one faith, one baptism. So far as we can discover, the peace of our Classes has been disturbed neither by painful cases of discipline nor by angry party debates.

And thus, though we have abundant grounds of humiliation for personal short comings, and for the insensibility even of God's people, North and South, under his chastising hand, and their unreadiness to ask of Him "Why art Thou thus dealing with us as a people?" we have

yet reason, with glad hearts, to testify that "hitherto the Lord hath helped us."

During the year death has been busy in our ranks. A number of our most efficient and godly Elders have been called away, and the following ministerial brethren have gone home to be with Christ: Joseph McKee, William A. Miller, Josiah Jansen, Rutgers Van Brunt, James Stevenson, and John Beattie. To this list should be added the name of J. W. Borst, a member of the graduating class of the Seminary. The "ripe are spared and the green are taken," and thus the Lord is saying to young and old, "Be instant in season and out of season, for the night cometh when no man can work."

It is not our business to forecast the future. We enter on the new year of labor not without reasons for anxiety, speaking after the manner of men, when we think of the bearing of our dreadful civil war on the resources needed for carrying on our foreign work. But why indulge in "vexing thoughts," when at His command, whose is the silver and the gold, we send forth our heralds to "say among the heathen that the Lord reigneth?" "The floods have lifted up, O Lord, the floods have lifted up their voice, the floods lift up their waves. The Lord on high is mightier than the mighty waves of the sea."

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. FORSYTH, *Chairman.*

CLASSIS OF ALBANY—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census. Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & E. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
1st Church Albany.....	R. W. Clark.....	280	25	8	...	5	624	16	9	...	413	925	\$9,414 00	\$11,500 00	Albany.
2d do.....	L. N. Wyckoff S. C.....	170	8	14	9	...	413	13	1	183	259	913	8,991 98	8,550 00	do.
3d do.....	W. Bailey.....	75	10	7	2	...	135	5	...	75	100	259	111 87	1,492 16	do.
4th do.....	H. Schnellendressler.....	14	5	...	1	...	44	5	...	92	40	65	142 81	1,177 14	do.
1st Bethlehem.....	J. Simpson.....	150	1	2	...	5	264	11	...	64	64	187	184 00	1,339 00	do.
2d do.....	J. L. Pearcy.....	83	7	3	...	...	117	6	...	60	90	90	283 40	1,143 00	do.
Jerusalem.....	A. V. Gulick.....	63	...	...	...	...	63	9	...	40	22	30	210 00	1,120 56	Fourbush.
Union.....	do.....	40	...	...	...	...	1	32	1	16	12	30	90 00	...	do.
Coeymans.....	L. Collier.....	82	12	6	1	...	1	117	6	30	100	160	129 28	853 00	Coeymans.
New Baltimore.....	R. G. Strong.....	71	11	3	5	...	2	111	1	5	45	85	275 47	1,533 00	New Baltimore.
New Salem.....	H. Slauson.....	100	2	...	...	2	197	11	...	44	44	80	38 50	601 00	New Salem.
Clarksville*.....	do.....	25	1	5	...	...	31	4	...	86	16	36	...	...	Clarksville.
Westerlo.....	P. Furbeck.....	80	10	2	...	4	130	4	7	24	40	50	40 00	700 00	Westerlo.
Onisquethaw.....	S. Van Santvoord.....	45	9	...	...	...	86	9	...	30	...	100	...	...	New Baltimore.
Holland.....	W. A. Hubolt.....	53	...	...	2	3	25	6	...	30	...	50	...	400 00	Albany.
2d Berne.....	†.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	East Berne.
Total.....		1351	101	58	43	2	33	9331	107	295	680	1295	\$14,289 91	\$94,368 86	

* Supplied H. Slauson. † Supplied by J. G. Cordell. Ministers without Charge.—J. Van Vechten, J. P. Pepper.

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
English Neighborhood.	Andrew B. Taylor.	...	1	...	1	...	76	...	...	...	14	30	\$118 76	...	English Neighborhood, N. J.	
1st Hackensack.	Alex. H. Warner, (S C.)	85	4	8	...	2	3	121	4	1	70	40	75	170 50	...	Hackensack, Bergen Co., "
Schraalenbergh.	Wm. R. Gordon.	163	5	1	6	...	3	207	14	...	...	...	120	...	...	Schraalenbergh, " "
New Durham.	Wm. V. V. Mabon.	100	6	1	4	...	8	127	25	1	150	...	250	...	...	New Durham, Hudson "
1st Hoboken.	M. B. Riddle.	85	1	9	3	...	...	43	1	...	45	93	...	116 39	\$2,435 64	Hoboken, N. J.
3d Jersey City.	J. Romeyn Berry.	150	2	16	13	...	...	133	10	1	230	210	230	1,509 14	3,088 00	Jersey City, N. J.
Ger. North Bergen.	Vacant	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
2d Hackensack.	George H. Fisher.	67	1	...	2	...	2	63	11	...	113	16	150	1,121 66	3,770 00	Hackensack, Bergen Co., N. J.
Ger. Hoboken.	L. Mohr.	80	10	...	...	1	1	111	40	...	18	60	113	25 00	1,000 00	Hoboken, N. J.
Ger. Hackensack.	Vacant.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Closter City.	E. S. Hammond, Miss'y	25	2	1	...	...	2	24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	U. Closter, Bergen Co., N. J.
Total.....	Total.....	705	32	31	28	2	14	910	105	3	646	368	1070	\$2,661 45	\$9,213 64	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Richard D. Van Kleeck. Alvan Octrom and James H. Ballagh, Foreign Missionaries.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants				Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Discontinued	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Bergen.....	Benjamin C. Taylor.....	275	4	21*	3	3	890	13	138	173	845	\$5,839 02	\$1,145 00	Hudson, Hudson Co., N. J.
Belleville.....	Peter A. Suddiford.....	115	2	3	2	2	174	5	1	105	90	559 26	1,787 00	Belleville, Essex Co., "
1st Jersey City.....	Vacant.....	75	2	10	1	2	118	2	2	102	80	8,449 87	2,548 10	Jersey City, "
Bergen Neck.....	Asron L. Sillwell.....	50	4	8	1	1	64	3	...	93	30	975 00	1,000 40	Bayonne, Hudson Co., "
1st Newark.....	Edward P. Terhune.....	300	6	12	11	11	401	10	...	215	125	2,640 08	10,581 94	Newark, Essex Co., "
Irrington.....	Henry Tebbel, Jr.....	84	8	...	1	1	108	...	3	101	110	225 60	1,085 24	Irrington, "
1st Van Vorst.....	Paul D. Van Clee, (S.C.).....	130	10	14	13	5	239†	10	2	150	135	3,175 70	3,415 59	Jersey City, "
2d Newark.....	Gustavus Abeel.....	95	5	3	13	3	210	11	...	150	150	1,480 87	8,280 03	Newark, Essex Co., "
Bergen Point.....	H. W. F. Jones.....	62	1	5	...	1	63	5	...	60	60	194 38	447 43	Bergen Point, Hud. Co., "
Franklin.....	John S. Lott.....	60	2	3	2	...	51	7	...	90	50	6 99	401 89	Franklin, Essex Co., "
German, Jersey City.....	C. Doepenschmidt.....	53	16	...	...	...	63	5	...	8	20	5,891 21	8,276 71	Jersey, "
North, Newark.....	James Demarest, Jr.....	125	7	4	...	2	209	2	...	450	325	2 49	...	Newark, Essex Co., "
German, Hudson City.....	Vacant.....	50	24	...	...	...	60	20	...	100	150	...	...	...
Lafayette.....	Vacant.....	32	2	27	...	...	29	...	...	...	115	...	...	...
Total.....	Total.....	1545	90	91	3	32	2123	99	7	1642	1603	\$34,628 55	\$41,644 73	...

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Matthias Leuk, Jersey City. Jas. M. Bruen, Irvington, N. J. John L. Chapman, Bayonne, N. J. Robt. B. Campfield, Newark, N. J.

* 17 to constitute B. D. Church, of Lafayette.

† Reduced by correcting former errors.

CLASSIS OF CAYUGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		O. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Gatech- mens		Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
Canastota.....	Wm. A. Wurtz.....	47	10	1	3	1	51	3	8	25	...	86	\$23 75	\$630 00	Canastota, N. Y.
Chittenango.....	Jas. B. Talmage.....	80	3	2	...	...	79	1	3	313	25	212	93 50	990 20	Chittenango, "
Cleero.....	Vacant.....	52	2	1	...	...	52	5	1	40	30	25	59 60	400 00	Cleero, "
Lysander.....	F. V. Van Vranken, (S. C.)	83	4	8	6	6	108	4	...	6	20	50	6 12	113 00	Lysander, "
Naumburg.....	Charles Becker.....	24	3	...	1	...	59	3	...	3	...	24	3 20	...	do. Naumburg, "
New Bremen.....	do.....	101	...	9	2	...	132	...	...	95	135	117 70	700 00	Owasco, "	
Owasco.....	Wilson Ingalls.....	58	2	1	5	3	89	1	...	70	75	100	88 32	563 10	Auburn, "
Owasco Outlet.....	John Garretson.....	124	12	8	...	1	143	6	9	75	75	155	60 80	2,389 49	Syracuse, "
Syracuse.....	Joachim Elmendorf.....	75	1	...	...	...	23	...	...	...	20	75	16 00	250 00	Alexandria, "
Thousand Isles.....	Geo. Rockwell, *	75	10	10	4	...	...	3	3	...	...	93	1,900 00	3,410 66	Utica, "
Utica.....	A. G. Vermilye.....	11	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	22 20	270 60	West Leyden, "
West Leyden.....	Vacant.....	594	53	25	14	14	735	26	24	532	840	865	\$2,320 99	\$9,716 45	
	Total.....														

* Missionary. Ministers without Charge.—Rev. W. J. Bradford, Marathon, N. Y. Jas. Abel, Chittenango, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF GENEVA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion		Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Lodi.....	G. J. Van Neste, S. O.....	125	9	1	1	1	4	999	6	1	60	\$596 04	\$1,050 37	Lodi, N. Y.
Farmerville.....	B. Basler.....	100	6	1	1	1	9	154	1	1	70	929 47	1,903 60	Farmerville, N. Y.
Geneva.....	C. Wiley.....	100	1	1	1	1	1	153	2	1	80	643 74	1,500 00	Geneva, N. Y.
Ithaca.....	F. N. Zabrickie.....	103	9	4	4	1	2	146	2	99	95	609 57	1,576 33	Ithaca, N. Y.
Arcadia.....	W. E. Turner.....	28	1	1	1	1	2	80	1	1	16	15 00	400 00	Arcadia, N. Y.
Tyre.....	J. R. Van Arsdale.....	50	1	1	1	1	2	74	1	1	16	30 00	420 00	Magee's Corners, N. Y.
Caroline.....	J. Whitbeck.....	40	2	1	1	1	1	45	1	13	10	20 00	800 00	Statenville, N. Y.
Wolcott.....	T. G. Watson.....	43	2	1	1	1	1	72	5	1	20	43 00	1,380 00	Fair Haven, N. Y.
Vacant.....	Vacant.....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Waterloo, N. Y.
Buffalo.....	A. K. Kasse.....	20	4	2	2	1	5	53	7	20	30	..	400 07	Buffalo, N. Y.
Palmeyville.....	A. B. Veenhuizen, S. S.....	135	6	5	5	4	207	30	20	20	54	..	..	East Williamson, N. Y.
Rochester.....	W. C. Wust.....	135	4	8	1	2	292	23	36	60	22	190 22	1,418 96	Rochester, N. Y.
Clymer.....	J. W. Dunnewold.....	65	45	1	1	..	141	22	56	40	40	52 25	200 00	Clymer, N. Y.
Mina Corners.....	do.....	27	5	..	..	..	51	7	19	10	10	10 00	900 00	Mina Corners, N. Y.
Cato.....	T. G. Watson.....	23	1	1	1	1	3	81	90	95	90	90 00	210 00	Cato, N. Y.
Athens.....	A. P. Todd.....	40	6	5	1	1	1	101	5	1	30	190 00	1,468 71	Athens, Penn.
Total.....	Total.....	1046	84	31	33	2	24	1883	122	6	449	\$2,554 09	\$11,776 84	

* No Report. Ministers without Charge.—Rev. John L. See, Cor. Sec. of the Board of Education, 108 Fulton Street, New York City; and Rev. A. G. Morse, Oak's Corners, N. Y. Emeritus; Rev. B. W. Knight, Pulaskyville, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		PORT OFFICE ADDRESS		
				Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblicol Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars		Religious and Benev-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses
1st Athens.....	C. Spaulding.....	70	11	8	...	3	118	11	8	25	35	55	\$265 00	\$500 22	Athens, N. Y.			
2d do.....	do.....	80	...	1	...	...	89	8	...	80	20	40	6 50	810 00	do.	
Catskill.....	J. A. Lansing.....	249	5	5	...	1	299	6	1	200	150	180	795 26	1,474 96	Catskill, "			
1st Coxsackie.....	S. P. M. Hastings.....	187	1	1	...	3	302	3	1	...	...	100	183 39	8,219 00	Coxsackie, "	
2d do.....	Vacant.....	180	3	12	...	3	191	6	1	115	80	180	654 91	842 13	do.			
Kiskatom.....	C. Rockwell.....	90	53	...	...	2	218	4	26	80	70	170 00	801 00	Kiskatom, "		
Leeds.....	S. T. Searle, S. C.....	20	4	4	...	6	183	7	4	80	30	160	189 50	1,896 50	Leeds, "			
Moreauville and S. Gilboa*	Vacant.....	46	...	...	...	2	86	...	...	...	...	100	139 00	400 00	Moreauville, "
Prattville.....	A. F. Gilbert.....	95	...	4	...	3	96	2	...	...	10	120	212 50	850 00	Prattville, "	
Roxbury.....	J. K. Rhinehart.....	70	7	3	...	7	77	4	1	40	60	80	186 13	745 00	Roxbury, "			
Total.....	Total.....	1048	92	27	29	80	1629	46	37	520	895	1100	\$2,722 19	\$10,767 81				

* Report of last year. Ministers without Charge.—Wm. Johns, Hensenville; B. B. Welch, Jonesville, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools.—Average	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Drenthe.....	R. Pieters	89	1	1	...	4	57	12	...	60	...	...	\$198 64	\$616 91	Holland, Ottawa Co. Mich.
Grand Rapids.....	C. Van der Meulen...	140	26	9	6	31	132	46	8	125	...	...	603 50	1,479 92	Grand Rapids, Kent Co. "
Grand Haven.....	C. Van der Veen....	100	8	1	...	4	115	44	...	120	...	...	510 00	960 00	Grand Haven, Ottawa " "
Grandville.....	Vacant.....	80	1	4	...	1	20	10	...	...	...	...	15 00	86 40	Grandville, Kent " "
Graafschap.....	R. Pieters	28	4	...	...	...	62	9	...	87	...	...	100 00	202 65	Holland, Ottawa, " "
Holland.....	A. C. Van Raalte....	179	3	13	...	11	369	41	...	150	...	165	1,925 82	1,689 75	Holland, " " "
Kalamazoo.....	Vacant.....	78	8	4	5	4	145	19	...	71	...	55	499 88	343 73	Kalamazoo, Mich.
*Muskegon.....	Vacant.....	19	...	...	...	1	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Muskegon, " "
Noord Holland.....	Vacant.....	19	6	...	...	1	26	...	...	18	...	...	25 00	85 00	Holland, Ottawa Co. "
Noordelous.....	Vacant.....	14	...	...	...	...	14	8	...	10	...	...	26 00	9 00	" " "
Overysel.....	G. J. Nykerk	50	2	...	5	...	213	25	...	120	...	90	300 15	887 06	Overysel, Allegan " "
Pella.....	Vacant.....	268	...	...	...	...	889	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Pella, Marion Co. Iowa.
Poltion.....	J. Van der Meulen...	26	3	...	1	...	40	...	...	10	...	...	200 00	400 00	Eastmanville, Mich.
Vriesland.....	A. Zwemer, S. C.	14	1	2	1	...	161	17	...	123	...	...	221 50	638 00	Zeeland, Ottawa Co. Mich.
Zeeland.....	H. Stobbeaar.....	147	7	3	9	9	178	82	...	150	...	...	309 72	839 00	" " "
Total.....	Total.....	1249	65	32	12	54	2019	261	8	904	...	460	\$4,064 41	\$7,556 40	

* Report of 1861. *Minister without Charge*.—Rev. Philip Phelps, Principal of Holland Academy, and Missionary Preacher, Holland, Ottawa Co. Mich.
† " " 1862.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Subsidiary Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Hudson.....	David D. Demarest, (S. C.)....	140	9	7	8	...	5	221	12	8	100	...	\$1,267 02	\$3,500 00	Hudson, N. Y.
1st Claverack.....	Amos P. Van Gleason.....	200	9	...	5	...	3	323	1	1	100	20	329 61	2,195 25	Claverack, "
2d Claverack.....	Arad J. Sebring.....	120	9	...	5	...	3	90	3	1	...	...	970 70	949 50	Mellenville, "
Lothbrow.....	Charles J. Shepard.....	161	5	4	...	1	2	233	3	...	80	85	178 55	1,157 48	Livingston, "
Upper Red Hook.....	John G. Johnson.....	60	5	2	3	...	4	94	2	2	85	25	284 00	1,600 00	Upper Red Hook, N. Y.
Germanstown.....	Hervey R. Schermerhorn.....	80	9	...	3	...	6	132	12	...	80	12	263 65	990 00	Germanstown, "
Greenport.....	John S. Hinrod.....	80	4	...	...	...	...	122	16	...	...	43	200 00	1,750 00	Hudson, "
Taghkanic.....	William Lyall.....	80	1	...	...	1	2	95	13	...	80	20	93 54	550 00	Copake, "
Total.....	Total.....	931	87	13	30	2	24	1310	52	12	315	152	\$2,889 87	\$11,602 18	

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Horace W. Finch, Whitehall, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & E. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath School—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Fairview.....	J. S. Jorlmon, (S. C.).	120	6	6	10	1	8	12	1	80	100	156	\$276 20	\$1,406 16	Fairview, Fulton Co. Ill.
Pekin.....	U. D. Guick.....	68	12	10	2	...	1	54	2	80	40	143	141 03	1,240 40	Pekin, Tazewell " "
Van Derveer.....	S. B. Ayres.....	16	2	...	...	2	81	3	...	...	25	40	54 00	...	Tallula, " "
Burlington.....	Vacant.....	20	...	...	...	...	23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Burlington, Iowa.
Spring Lake.....	".....	21	...	...	...	...	86	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Manito, Ill.
Raritan.....	S. A. Bumstead.....	60	34	6	1	1	119	7	9	35	40	50	23 00	1,000 00	Raritan, Henderson Co. Ill.
Bushnell.....	E. P. Livingston.....	45	4	2	2	...	57	4	2	...	80	...	40 00	935 00	Bushnell, McDonough " "
Keokuk.....	Vacant.....	14	...	...	...	13	13	...	...	...	20	...	79 63	507 85	Keokuk, Iowa.
Davenport.....	C. G. Van Derveer.....	25	2	6	3	1	33	4	1	...	...	...	80 90	622 07	Davenport, Iowa.
Whitehall.....	Vacant.....	12	8	...	...	6	6	...	...	12	80	214	...	...	Whitehall, Ill.
2nd Pella.....	A. Thompson.....	80	8	...	3	...	30	7	2	12	80	214	...	...	Pella, Marion Co. Iowa.
Total.....		431	65	30	21	8	691	39	17	107	255	662	\$699 83	\$5,715 46	

† Last year's report.—Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. D. Wilson, Fairview, Fulton Co. Ill.; J. Ford Morris, Bushnell, McDonough Co. Ill.
A. Lloyd, New York City.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	
Bloomington	Vacant	52	1	6	3	1	9	97	8	1	60	85	150	\$13 67	\$300 00	Creek Locks, N. Y.
Clove	J. N. Voorhis	150	6	9	3	1	19	129	6	1	18	50	153	145 22	50 00	High Falls, "
Dashville Falls	J. Martie	51	3	9	2	1	15	53	6	3	18	50	100	21 59	....	Riton Glen, "
Gulford	R. De Witt	100	7	10	4	1	22	95	9	1	25	100	100	169 45	181 98	Tutbill, "
Hurley	B. C. Lippincott, S. C.	79	10	8	4	1	23	131	6	4	20	25	100	561 86	650 00	Hurley, "
2d Ch. Kingston	J. A. Collier	112	4	15	7	1	27	114	12	1	89	90	130	76 04	920 00	Kingston, "
Marbletown	J. L. McNair	175	10	8	1	1	20	223	16	4	125	60	140	938 18	1,378 62	Stone Ridge, "
New Falls	C. H. Sutt	240	9	8	4	1	22	333	24	4	243	125	400	1,371 65	1,794 00	New Falls, "
Nth Marbletown	B. C. Lippincott, S. S.	90	6	1	3	1	11	108	5	9	19	60	80	239 45	50 00	Hurley, "
Rochester	C. Wyckoff	150	4	1	1	1	7	203	14	3	40	60	80	228 00	845 12	Accord, "
Rosendale	Vacant	50	1	1	1	1	4	63	....	....	....	....	50	50 00	517 55	Rosendale, "
Samsenville	Vacant	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	....	Samsenville, "
Total	Total	1040	65	40	84	1	84	1526	91	22	593	600	1823	\$4,444 67	\$9,596 97	....

* Pastor elect. Minister without Charge.—Rev. J. B. Lentz, Blooming Grove, Orange Co., N. Y.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Suburban Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens		Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
Jamaica	J. B. Alliger	155	24	5	1	...	2	11	2	110	...	200	\$1,700 00	\$2,000 00	Jamaica, L. I.		
Newtown	Wm. Anderson	121	8	1	2	...	2	9	1	140	50	100	157 00	1,115 00	Newtown, "		
Oyster Bay	J. Searle	63	1	1	9	...	2	...	...	40	80	50	137 00	1,115 00	" "
N. North Hempstead	Ira C. Boies	70	3	1	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	50	135 00	1,115 00	" "
Williamsburgh	Albert S. Porter	200	8	4	1	...	1	8	1	58	14	61	2,456 56	13,000 00	Williamsburgh, "		
Astoria	Wm. H. Ten Eyck	51	...	...	...	...	...	6	...	140	50	200	2,378 79	1,831 06	Astoria, "
Greenpoint	Geo. H. Pecke	135	26	15	2	...	2	163	7	200	60	230	2,728 78	2,500 00	Greenpoint, "		
Flushing	Wm. W. Halloway	95	8	9	2	...	2	133	4	169	40	63	865 73	4,091 44	Flushing, "		
South Beachwick	John McC. Holmes (S. C.)	75	5	2	2	...	6	230	21	11	500	1000	1,266 86	5,154 25	Williamsburgh, "		
Lee Avenue	Wm. Rankin Duryea	175	23	25	9	...	...	64	3	1	25	80	617 00	806 80	Maspeth, "
East Williamsburgh	John "	50	5	3	...	...	...	34	...	...	...	...	...	...	Queens, "
Queens	John "	33	1	...	...	...	...	5	...	12	...	...	9 62	231 50	Newtown, "
2d Church, Newtown .....	...	23	20	...	13	...	2	104	...	...	...	...	...	177 00	Newtown, "
Ger. Church, Astoria .....	...	20	8	...	10	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total		1901	180	70	63	1	1838	119	25	1860	1192	2641	\$9,708 82	\$34,161 91			

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. E. R. Atwater, New York. James Penner, Williamsburgh. John Gray, A. C. Himean, Goyt Talmage, Greenpoint, L. I.
P. S. Williamson, Jefferson Wyndoop, Lewis G. Bingham, New York. John W. Hanson, Catskills.—Marion Burr.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families	Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Brooklyn.....	A. A. Willis.....	230	13	17	5	5	845	10	2	235	40	\$15,960 00	\$6,200 00	Brooklyn, L. I.
Flatbush.....	C. L. Wells.....	124	4	6	2	2	100	15	...	80	100	5,800 27	...	Flatbush, "
New Utrecht.....	R. Orniston Currie.....	85	3	2	1	...	338	9	...	35	...	...	...	New Utrecht, L. I.
Gravesend.....	Maurice G. Hansen.....	95	12	2	1	...	316	8	...	66	18	70	1,835 00	Gravesend, "
Flatlands.....	T. Sanford Doolittle.....	70	1	1	...	...	140	1	...	80	45	2,251 87	1,720 00	Flatlands, "
New Lots.....	J. M. Van Buren.....	60	2	...	...	...	97	14	...	40	30	1,979 80	...	East New York, L. I.
East New York.....	Anson F. Nunn.....	60	5	2	1	...	110	2	1	30	15	1,580 00	1,720 07	do. "
South Brooklyn.....	John H. Manning.....	45	1	...	...	...	39	6	1	40	...	1,479 66	8,560 70	Brooklyn, "
Middle Brooklyn.....	N. E. Smith.....	230	26	32	15	1	285	85	4	250	...	9,600 00	9,000 00	do. "
North Gowanus.....	N. P. Pierce.....	80	2	1	...	...	136	6	...	...	...	1,354 32	2,302 95	do. "
North Brooklyn.....	A. Elmendorf.....	210	11	16	14	1	441	21	8	949	349	370	4,112 07	do. "
Church on the Heights.....	James Eells.....	208	6	18	19	...	808	10	...	839	284	19,905 38	9,226 97	do. "
New Brooklyn.....	C. Dickhaut.....	85	23	...	1	1	107	10	...	16	30	41 70	634 40	East Brooklyn, "
East Brooklyn.....	J. West, (S. C.).....	65	2	6	2	...	143	2	1	132	104	623 75	...	Brooklyn, "
Total.....		1620	101	108	62	3	2920	155	12	1719	1015	\$64,203 46	\$46,921 90	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. J. Labagh, Rev. Julius Hoes, Brooklyn L. I. Rev. Daniel Kapelle, Misionary, China.
Candidates.—Jeremiah L. Sabrick, Flatbush, L. I.

CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & E. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
First Freehold	Ralph Willis	95	14	2	0	4	170	4	1	59	70	92	\$2,250 00	\$1,259 00	Marlboro', N. J.
Second Freehold	Era W. Collier	90	8	3	0	4	185	8	3	107	100	125	786 18	1,637 29	Freehold, "
Middletown	Wm. Kelley	90	3	0	0	0	184	0	2	0	0	75	794 08	1,900 00	Holmdel, "
Spotswood	A. Van Dewater	85	2	1	0	2	138	3	1	20	20	100	29 50	1,386 00	Spotswood, "
Middletown Village	A. C. Millespugh, (S. C.)	65	3	1	0	1	127	3	2	40	20	60	880 00	650 00	Middletown, "
Keyport	Samuel Lockwood	40	8	4	0	0	47	6	2	25	20	40	40 00	6 00	Keyport, "
Long Branch	James R. Wilson	50	10	0	0	0	77	9	7	45	35	75	64 37	755 89	Long Branch, "
Colt's Neck	J. S. Wyckoff	70	2	0	0	1	73	1	1	50	40	70	60 00	60 00	Colt's Neck, "
Total	Total	535	45	7	0	12	980	45	19	387	305	637	\$4,354 03	\$8,167 68	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. G. C. Schanck, Marlboro, N. J. Rev. Wm. Cornell, Freehold, N. J.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & R. C.		Contributions		Post Office Address			
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
Auriville.....	Vacant.....	83	...	...	...	...	1	4	41	6	30	\$30 00	\$600 00	Auriville, N. Y.
Daughawaga.....	Vacant.....	120	3	...	...	...	...	6	93	...	100	20 00	...	Ponda, "
Canaoharie.....	R. Van Zandt.....	85	1	...	...	...	...	2	115	...	50	6 55	...	Canaoharie, "
Columbia.....	Vacant.....	43	3	...	...	...	...	1	39	...	10	29 25	839 00	Columbia, "
Currytown.....	J. Compton, S. S.....	120	...	...	...	...	...	1	69	...	80	29 25	...	Root, "
Florida.....	Vacant.....	90	10	1	2	...	...	3	186	...	70	208 80	819 88	Ephrata, "	
Fort Plain.....	J. D. Krum.....	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	94	...	...	...	...	Minaville, "
Fort Herkimer.....	Vacant.....	95	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Fort Plain, "
Fultonville.....	J. Petrie, S. S.....	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	47	...	25	...	160 00	Fultonville, "
Glen.....	R. Wells.....	64	2	3	1	...	...	1	122	...	20	95 75	3,656 00	Glen, "	
Hagaman's Mills.....	A. H. Van Vranken, S. C.....	59	...	...	...	...	...	4	70	...	45	806 00	763 00	Hagaman's Mills, "
Henderson.....	A. J. Hagaman.....	80	...	...	...	...	...	...	71	...	...	83 00	750 00	Herkimer, "
Herkimer.....	D. Lord.....	25	19	3	5	...	...	...	...	...	120	125 57	1,102 00	Herkimer, "
Illion.....	H. B. Gardner.....	29	...	...	...	...	...	...	118	...	10	8 00	320 00	Illion, "
Indian Castle.....	J. Petrie, S. S.....	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	18	...	...	...	...	Manheim Centre, "
Manheim.....	R. M. Stanbrough.....	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	74	...	21	...	664 00	Manheim Centre, "
Mapletown.....	Vacant.....	54	7	...	...	...	...	...	96	...	20	25 00	500 00	Canaoharie, "
Mohawk.....	C. D. Nott.....	63	5	2	...	...	...	...	89	...	33	27 00	600 00	Mohawk, "
Port Jackson.....	H. M. Voorhes.....	100	...	...	...	...	...	...	79	...	30	46 15	757 00	Port Jackson, "
St. Johnsville.....	J. Kinkadee.....	80	3	...	...	...	...	...	150	...	70	75 00	700 00	Port Jackson, "
Stone Arabia.....	L. H. Van Dyke.....	1496	57	22	14	5	44	1664	45	19	350	62 55	\$11,790 38	St. Johnsville, "			
Spraker's Basin.....	N. Bogardus, S. S.....	1496	57	22	14	5	44	1664	45	19	350	62 55	\$11,790 38	Stone Arabia, "			
	Total.....	1496	57	22	14	5	44	1664	45	19	350	\$1,108 19	\$11,790 38	Spraker's Basin, "			

Residence without Charge.—Rev. J. J. Quick, Root; R. M. Whitbeck, Canaoharie; B. Hagerland, San Fraia (America), Wa.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Number of Families Census	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars.	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
First New Brunswick....	Richard H. Steele.....	200	11	2	...	10	888	10	...	120	70	165	\$6,959 00	\$5,476 00	New Brunswick, N. J.
Six Mile Run.....	Jacob C. Sears.....	108	...	3	...	4	298	7	...	70	80	868	2,021 40	1,150 00	Six Mile Run, "
Hillsborough.....	E. Tanfore Corwin.....	170	6	11	3	8	810	13	...	90	40	920	1,044 42	1,588 10	Millstone, "
Middlebush.....	J. A. Van Doren, (S. C.)..	75	8	4	6	8	149	10	...	75	...	175	1,753 90	995 00	Middlebush, "
Griggstown.....	Stephen Seale.....	60	5	1	...	3	125	1	...	85	50	80	589 25	...	Griggstown, "
Second New Brunswick.	John W. Schenck.....	118	8	5	1	7	205	8	...	85	50	96	5,401 08	4,577 05	New Brunswick, "
Boundbrook.....	Reol. F. Komaloe.....	75	27	9	...	2	125	10	6	110	70	90	8,234 50	560 00	Boundbrook, "
Third New Brunswick.	Carl Meyer, (S. S.).....	93	7	1	...	6	44	13	...	12	13	33	70 00	...	New Brunswick, "
East Millstone.....	Martin Luther Berger....	70	5	11	6	4	143	5	...	63	60	...	392 09	5,035 52	Millstone, "
Metuchen.....	John B. Thompson.....	65	11	2	...	...	119	4	...	23	10	60	1,303 71	1,504 08	Metuchen, "
	Total.....	1009	86	27	3	33	1835	80	15	717	372	1322	\$32,309 80	\$32,025 99	

Ministres without Charge.—Rev. Samuel B. How, D.D., New Brunswick. Wm. J. Thompson, Flemington. N. J. W. H. Steele, Newark, N. J.
Henry W. Brandt, Missionary in Belgium. David Cole, Professor in Rutgers College.
Candidates.—Marshall Heathav.

CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes		Congressional Pur- poses
New York.....	Thomas De Witt..... Thos. E. Vermilye..... T. W. Chambers..... Joseph T. Duryee.....	500	46	27	24	1	26	1207	30	2	70	900	\$80,000 00	.....	{ 123 Ninth Street, 20 East 87th Street, 70 West 30th Street, 96 West 36th Street, 205 West 31st Street, 63 Hammond Street, 105 East 18th Street, 9-6 West 22d Street, 215 Forsyth Street, 50th Street, 90 West 23th Street, Harlem. Wash. Heli's, 10 Carman Pl. Mott Haven, West. co. 1 St. Lukes Place, Port Richmond, S. I. Richmond, S. I. Tompkinsville, S. I. 143 West 31st Street, East 86th St., Prospect Hill.
Thirty-fourth St.....	Peter Stryker.....	250	36	32	25	.....	10	483	26	8	450	500	3,033 82	\$24,568 00	.....
Greenwich.....	Thomas C. Strong.....	60	13	8	27	.....	3	.....	16	7	.....	40	1,185 46	8,175 00	.....
Twenty-first St.....	Alex. R. Thompson.....	135	19	13	13	.....	1	324	13	8	285	190	2,320 86	7,385 73	.....
North-west 23d St.....	Hervey D. Ganse.....	190	14	10	10	.....	2	815	9	2	254	.....	5,061 71	6,373 70	.....
German Evan. Miss. Ch.....	Julius Gieger.....	152	41	8	14	.....	3	400	80	60	425	.....	805 41	2,099 64	.....
Mt. Pleasant, 50th St.....	Isaac M. See.....	140	2	7	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	150	150	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bloomington.....	R. Van Aken.....	100	6	2	2	.....	2	73	8	.....	150	.....	2,500 00	6,000 00	.....
Harlem.....	J. S. Lord.....	210	16	10	2	.....	2	314	6	4	250	90	2,500 00	6,000 00	.....
Washington Heights.....	H. V. Voorhees.....	35	1	7	1	.....	.....	20	4	1	16	11	33	43 00	.....
Mott Haven.....	W. T. Vinyard.....	107	2	5	1	.....	1	92	6	.....	105	100	100 00	2,025 00	.....
3d tier Reformed.....	H. A. Friedel.....	63	11	1	1	.....	.....	190	18	.....	13	25	130	55 00	.....
Staten Island.....	J. Brownee.....	164	8	9	10	.....	6	309	14	8	85	30	1,600 00	2,700 00	.....
Richmond, (S. I.).....	Jacob Fehrmann.....	45	5	3	22	.....	2	75	4	1	37	10	2,800 00	2,800 00	.....
Huguenots, (S. I.).....	H. B. Stryker, (S. I.).....	30	4	3	.....	.....	.....	126	25	.....	31	10	70	37 34	.....
Fourth German.....	J. H. Oertel.....	79	12	.....	9	.....	1	73	15	.....	11	54	175	189 00	.....
Prospect Hill.....	D. McL. Quackenbush.....	53	7	5	5	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	100	52	187 21	2,500 90	.....
Total.....	Total.....	2297	243	143	138	1	59	4039	277	37	1942	751	3909	\$47,297 69	\$62,115 03

Ministers without Charge—Rev. Isaac Ferris, D. D., 90 East 12th St., N. Y. Rev. J. B. Hardenbergh, D. D., 98 West 51st St., N. Y. John Forsyth, D. D., Newburgh, N. Y.
 N. J. Marston, (S. O.) 201 South 5th St., Williamsburgh, L. I. A. M. Kula, Elizabeth, N. J. T. R. Gregory, Bergen Point, N. J. T. E. G. Peck, Charleston, S. C. L. W. Kip, Jr.,
 Missionary to China. C. Whithead, 44 West 85th St. O. M. Jamieson, 46th St. A. R. Van Nest, D. D., 110 West 44th St. Wm. H. Miller, 309 3d Avenue.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census			Communicants				Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benevo-lent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses	
Stapleton.....	Thos. H. Skinner, Jr.	.....	8	1	5	.....	6	.....	9	1	.....	.....	.....	\$1,020 33	\$2,700 00	Stapleton, S. I.
Tombkinsville.....	E. W. Hitchcock.....	85	7	12	12	1	192	7	6	8	147	39	175	798 13	12,111 46	Tombkinsville, S. I.
South Dutch.....	K. P. Rogers.....	170	26	84	2	2	300	9	1	.....	.....	300	250	6,497 91	3,500 00	New York City.
Market Street.....	J. C. Dutcher.....	75	1	10	44	.....	5	454	15	9	300	56	600	1,856 00	6,900 00	"
Washington Square.....	M. S. Hutton.....	159	31	23	4	2	185	12	2	.....	15	20	75	2,543 81	1,200 00	"
Manhattan.....	E. Higgins.....	52	2	4	4	.....	1	80	12	.....	86	27	130	250 00	1,100 00	"
Rushwick.....	S. H. Meeker, (S. C.).....	63	11	1	2	.....	10	185	71	2	86	27	192	250 00	1,100 00	Williamsburgh, L. I.
Union Ref. P. Dutch Church.....	Vacant.....	169	3	15	26	.....	5	147	71	1	25	60	192	242 76	.....	Williamsburgh, L. I.
German Ref. P. Dutch Church.....	A. Berty.....	109	3	15	1	.....	5	147	71	1	25	60	192	242 76	.....	New York City.
German Reformed Church.....	J. S. Ebaugh.....	99	43	.....	8	.....	1	304	130	.....	.....	.....	273	.....	.....	New York City.
North Trin. R. D. Ch., of N. Y.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Total.....	Total.....	812	127	95	112	.....	81	1992	268	21	523	222	1997	\$13,608 44	\$27,511 46	"

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Dr. Mathews, N. Y. City. Rev. Dr. Macaulay, N. Y. City. Rev. J. B. Steele, N. Y. City. Rev. John Liburdy, N. Y. City.
Rev. Benjamin Van Keuren, Chaplain of New York Prison Association, N. Y. City.
Candidates.—Isaac Warner, New Brunswick, N. J.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.	O. & B. C.			Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants		Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Par- poses	
Berea.....	James R. Ten Eyck.....	62	1	1	1	1	67	1	60	40	120	\$120 00	\$650 00	St. Andrews.		
Bloomingsburgh.....	Hasbrouck Dubois.....	110	1	1	1	1	160	5	60	40	120	140 00	750 00	Bloomingsburgh.		
Cuddebackville.....	Egbert Winter.....	65	1	1	1	1	25	5	100	80	900	53 00	650 00	Cuddebackville.		
Deerpark.....	Samuel W. Mills.....	130	2	7	2	2	152	7	100	80	900	844 00	1,635 00	Port Jervis.		
Ellenville.....	Edward W. Bentley.....	120	1	5	1	1	173	9	100	80	900	292 89	1,230 23	Ellenville.		
Fallsburgh.....	George W. Connitt.....	80	1	6	1	2	145	1	60	40	120	336 00	573 60	Woodbourne.		
Grahamville.....	Vacant.....	23	1	1	1	1	66	1	12	16	60	39 33	25 00	Grahamville.		
Jeffersonville.....	John Bochrer.....	30	2	1	1	1	65	1	12	16	60	4 84	81 83	Jeffersonville.		
Trumansville.....	do.....	45	7	1	1	1	102	25	16	40	160	8 32	203 10	Trumansville.		
Mt. Sterling.....	John Dubois.....	18	2	1	1	1	3	16	13	15	25	78	35 75	Tremont Centre.		
Midleport.....	Vacant.....	85	2	1	1	1	83	2	15	25	50	55 00	280 00	Wurtsboro.		
Miniskie.....	do.....	100	2	1	1	1	75	8	15	25	50	.....	280 00	Kerhonkson.	
Montgomery.....	Abm. E. Van Zandt.....	25	5	1	1	1	42	1	175	150	80	901 74	1,003 89	Montague, N. J.		
Newburgh.....	G. H. Mandeville.....	130	15	28	1	8	297	11	100	100	130	1,370 81	2,913 32	Newburgh.		
New Hurley.....	Law. L. Comfort.....	175	2	6	3	2	216	9	100	60	210	256 51	1,313 80	New Hurley.		
New Prospect.....	Vacant.....	125	4	9	1	7	177	7	50	60	160	151 00	1,300 00	Usterville.		
Shawangunk.....	Charles Scott, S. O.....	200	4	7	2	1	273	7	70	125	180	370 84	896 72	Braynswick.		
Upper Neversink.....	Vacant.....	18	4	1	1	1	94	8	80	100	100	14 10	128 32	Claryville.		
Walden.....	M. V. Schoonmaker.....	100	12	3	6	3	185	16	9	90	100	400 00	9-0 00	Walden.		
Walpack.....	Gilbert S. Garretson.....	74	9	5	1	3	56	1	80	16	80	25 00	773 60	Diagrams Ferry, Pa.		
Wawarsing.....	Alex. McWilliam.....	100	1	1	1	4	130	5	60	60	100	23 00	830 00	Hoshkill, Pa.		
		135	4	1	1	1	124	3	79	65	102	38 00	400 00	Napanoch.		
Total.....		2133	79	70	53	4	2817	159	909	953	2076	\$5,127 84	\$13,945 33			

Members without Charge.—Joshua Boyd, Newburgh; William S. Hoyer (Emertus), Newburgh; Robert Pitts, Broadsburgh, Pa.; Nathan W. Jones, New York City; Henry Morris, Port Jervis; William Hamilton (agent of the American Missionary Association), Usterville; John Van Fleet, Napanoch.

Backbrook has been dropped from the roll.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Census Number of Families	Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate											
Clarktown	Peter J. Quick.....	100	8	2	...	157	7	...	...	48	120	\$664 57	.....	Nyack Turnpike, N. Y.
Tappan	George M. S. Blauvelt...	120	1	4	...	134	23	...	50	75	75	107 00	.....	Tappanstown, N. J.
Aquechanonk	J. Paschal Strong, (S. C.)	210	15	7	...	817	23	2	200	80	200	1,267 00	.....	Pascale,
1st Church, Totowa.....	Alex. McKelvey.....	163	10	5	...	212	24	1	211	140	175	260 51	.....	" "
2nd Church, Totowa.....	John H. Duryea.....	150	8	2	...	290	16	1	150	20	220	619 90	.....	" "
Paramus	Isaac S. Demond.....	180	8	3	...	1	18	...	50	...	75	259 49	.....	" "
Pascack	John T. Demarest.....	70	2	1	...	81	12	1	30	...	80	109 00	.....	Hoboken,
Saddle River	John Manly.....	86	7	1	...	127	8	...	25	...	50	60 00	.....	Pascack,
Ramapo	Wm. Demarest.....	58	...	...	...	51	4	...	20	80	60	46 28	.....	Menck,
West New Hempstead	John R. Brock.....	83	3	6	...	101	8	...	90	...	55	141 55	.....	Suffern,
Warwick.....	Ferdinand H. Vanderveer	80	1	1	...	97	2	...	175	70	240	290 00	.....	Spring Valley,
Nyack.....	Ulrich Martin.....	145	1	4	...	216	4	...	40	40	60	299 55	.....	Warwick,
Piermont.....	Henry E. Decker.....	56	4	2	...	50	8	...	...	...	...	200 56	.....	Nyack,
Holland Church, Paterson.	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.....	" "
Holland Church, Lodi.....	James Hoysoo.....	100	8	13	...	138	47	1	98	...	...	103 28	.....	Piermont,
	Total.....	1661	63	51	1	2157	164	6	1064	503	1580	\$4,428 64	\$12,928 47	Paterson,	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. P. Pelis, Cor. Sec'y. For. Miss. Board, 108 Fulton St., N. Y. Rev. Isaac D. Cole, Tappanstown, N. Y.
Candidates.—William G. Haeselbarth, Nyack, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses	
Boardville, (M. S.).....	Jas. E. Bernart, Miss'y..	80	1	2	...	3	173	9	...	85	...	85	\$24 50	...	Pompton, N. J.
Fairfield.....	Joseph Wilson.....	90	3	4	...	...	95	3	2	50	40	110	83 00	\$100 00	Little Falls, "
Little Falls.....	J. C. Crutcher.....	60	4	5	...	...	186	6	...	20	20	70	187 00	80 00	" "
Montville.....	Nathaniel Conklin.....	140	4	...	...	...	190	12	1	50	40	100	189 66	...	Beonton, "
Pompton Plains.....	J. Ferguson Harris, (S. C.)	180	4	3	1	6	199	13	1	110	40	160	849 82	837 80	Pompton Plains, "
Pompton.....	J. N. Jansen.....	125	1	2	3	...	166	...	1	...	...	...	179 30	...	" "
Ponds.....	B. V. Collins.....	84	1	...	...	...	86	14	...	23	70	100	...	25 00	" "
Preakness.....	C. B. Durand.....	100	3	1	...	...	65	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	Paterson, "
Stone House Plains ..	P. Stryker Talmage.....	90	3	...	...	...	95	10	1	65	...	95	...	...	Bloomfield, "
Wyckoff.....	A. G. Ryerson.....	90	1	3	...	...	113	9	...	45	30	45	56 00	73 00	Godwiville, "
Total.....		959	19	20	1	22	1160	67	5	393	264	785	\$1,009 28	\$1,154 80	

Mistaken without Charge.—Rev. James Demarest, Pompton, N. J.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants				Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Comm.	Infants	Adults	Number in Bible Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
		On Confession	On Certificate			Total now in Comm.							
		Number of Families											
		Census											
Harlingen.....	John Gardner.....	8	9	6	2	211	6	4	50	250	\$1,059 84	\$1,000 00	Harlingen, N. J.
Readington.....	John Van Liew.....	18	11	6	1	228	13	4	50	290	959 14	980 00	Readington, "
Ne-Shanic.....	G. Ludlow.....	18	11	6	1	225	16	5	50	180	747 00	600 00	Ne-Shanic, "
1st Church, Philadelphia.....	J. H. Suydam.....	118	13	7	9	156	4	3	500	910	2,189 00	4,750 00	Philadelphia, Pa.
2d do. do.....	T. D. W. Talmage.....	970	93	26	2	497	3	3	190	145	650 00	18,000 00	" "
3d do. do.....	D. Werhman, Jr.....	100	7	10	2	163	9	2	190	145	650 00	18,000 00	" "
4th do. do.....	A. O. Halsey.....	100	7	10	2	163	9	2	190	145	650 00	18,000 00	Hickory, Pa.
N. & S. Hampton.....	A. W. Knowlton.....	195	64	1	1	259	19	82	60	500	2,212 00	1,000 00	Blawenburg, N. J.
Blawenburg.....	T. B. Roney, S. C.....	105	6	9	3	173	6	3	75	300	2,212 00	1,000 00	Stanton, "
Stanton.....	H. Doolittle.....	1	1	1	1	172	6	3	63	300	2,212 00	1,000 00	Manayunk, Pa.
Manayunk.....	W. Fulton.....	10	5	1	2	190	7	3	50	100	800 00	1,000 00	Rocky Hill, N. J.
Rocky Hill.....	M. L. Schenck.....	60	5	2	1	51	5	1	20	100	800 00	1,000 00	Philadelphia, Pa.
4th Church, Philadelphia.....	G. E. Gramm.....	72	42	2	1	150	11	2	23	42	1,476 37	1,476 37	Clover Hill, N. J.
Clover Hill.....	W. B. Voorhes.....	60	3	10	1	61	1	2	23	42	1,476 37	1,476 37	Clover Hill, N. J.
	Total.....	1000	253	64	44	2401	151	90	926	967	\$70,714 98	\$80,932 37	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. V. N. Talmage, Missionary in China. Rev. W. J. R. Taylor, D.D., Secretary of American Bible Society.
 Rev. C. R. Wack. Rev. Charles Collins, Philadelphia.

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CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Number of Scholars —Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses		
1st Church, Poughkeepsie	Geo. M. McElkron.....	188	14	8	7	4	817	4	6	...	296	290	\$2,541 04	...	Poughkeepsie.	
2d Church, Poughkeepsie	C. S. Hageman, (S. C.)...	115	...	5	8	7	189	5	...	...	125	140	2,375 80	...	Poughkeepsie.
Fishkill	Francis M. Kip.....	83	7	5	3	...	3	193	4	8	100	36	70	152 44	Fishkill.	
Hopewell	Oliver E. Cobb.....	180	6	...	1	9	259	13	3	40	...	150	964 86	...	Adrian.	
New Hackensack	Cornelius Van Cleef.....	115	...	...	...	3	249	...	...	...	...	155	276 60	...	New Hackensack.
Fishkill Landing	Joseph Kimball.....	101	6	9	4	...	6	162	6	...	...	153	760 79	...	Fishkill Landing.
Rhinebeck	H. R. Tinslow.....	180	10	1	...	4	254	3	2	80	...	180	1,000 00	...	Rhinebeck.	
Hyde Park	Henry Dater.....	85	6	6	3	...	160	7	4	...	...	60	69 28	...	Hyde Park.
Greenbush	Herman Vedder.....	65	...	...	...	1	100	3	...	...	...	...	68 00	...	Pine Plains.
Glenham	Edwin Holmes, (S. S.)...	45	9	3	5	...	71	4	1	...	25	40	135 00	...	Glenham.	
Cold Spring	Wm. H. Phraner.....	35	9	6	8	...	90	...	...	...	...	40	83 85	...	Cold Spring, Putnam co.
Total	Total.....	1144	53	47	84	1	40	1969	89	23	320	432	1173	\$3,678 66		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. E. Van Yeshom, Fishkill. Wm. A. Campbell, Poughkeepsie, J. B. Dwyer, Midsboort. C. D. Rice, Poughkeepsie.
C. E. V. Remond, Washington, D. C.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants					Bap.		O & B. O.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens		Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev-olent Purposes		Congregational Pur-poses
			On Confession	On Certificate												
1st Raritan.....	Abraham Messler.....	195	6	1	8	1	8	463	8	.....	80	.....	250	\$1,046 00	\$1,000 00	Somerville, N. J.
Bedminster.....	Wm. Brush.....	130	3	1	11	1	4	219	10	.....	70	.....	250	.....	.....	Puckamln, "
Rockaway.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	.....	White House, "
Lebanon.....	Robert Van Amburg	200	5	3	1	.....	3	193	23	1	80	40	200	.....	.....	Lebanon, "
North Branch.....	P. M. Doolittle.....	101	5	1	6	.....	2	123	10	1	50	50	75	.....	.....	North Branch, "
2d Raritan.....	J. P. Mesick, (S. C.).....	150	10	15	16	1	.....	343	17	1	100	.....	950	1,157 33	4,975 00	Somerville, "
Peapack.....	H. P. Thompson.....	104	17	1	1	.....	7	172	12	5	75	50	140	255 00	1,600 00	Peapack, "
Branchville.....	Wm. Fletcher.....	100	4	3	6	.....	3	133	16	.....	.....	.....	131	300 00	.....	South Branch, "
3d Raritan.....	James Lefevre.....	106	12	13	15	.....	9	223	21	.....	115	100	150	402 77	6,000 00	Raritan, "
Easton.....	C. H. Edgar.....	40	15	2	11	.....	2	65	1	.....	23	.....	70	172 50	1,500 00	Easton, Pa.
Warren.....	J. F. Neef.....	45	15	2	11	.....	1	82	9	.....	12	.....	70	8 00	133 51	Martinsville, N. J.
Plainfield.....	J. F. Neef.....	24	1	1	.....	.....	1	44	6	.....	12	.....	40	.....	.....	"
Central Ch. of Plainfield.	Vacant.....	34	1	1	.....	.....	1	29	1	.....	20	.....	93	.....	100 03	Plainfield, "
Total.....		1209	78	66	74	2	43	2111	123	8	592	352	1605	\$3,372 65	\$15,617 39	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Alex. McGilland, D.D., New Brunswick, N. J. John Van Der Veer, D.D., Easton, Pa. James A. H. Cornell, D.D., New Baltimore, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF RENSELAER.—P. S. A.

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Subsidiary Schools—Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
				Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Bloomgrove.....	Rev. J. A. Staats.....	80	2	2	1	1	50	2	1	80	15	70	\$95 00	\$045 50	Albany, N. Y.	
Castleton.....	E. L. Heermance.....	125	2	1	3	3	189	4	4	90	30	75	25 00	1,250 00	Castleton, "	
Chatham.....	C. S. Mead.....	130	3	1	1	1	186	2	2	90	30	75	25 00	2,725 00	Chatham & Corners, "	
1st Ghent.....	Vacant.....	44	1	1	1	1	182	3	2	60	12	25	415 45	800 07	Ghent, "	
2d Ghent.....	J. H. Van Woert.....	120	4	1	1	1	147	6	4	60	40	100	100 00	1,528 00	Hudson, "	
Greenbush.....	F. Q. Wilson.....	150	9	4	1	1	807	20	20	90	30	120	1,400 59	8,027 33	East Greenbush, "	
Kinderhook.....	Vacant.....	240	5	6	3	2	970	2	1	60	40	150	484 88	2,115 56	Kinderhook, "	
Nassau.....	L. H. Collier.....	140	2	1	1	3	63	2	1	30	12	84	34 82	397 50	Nassau, "	
New Concord.....	D. A. Jones.....	60	5	6	2	1	163	4	5	30	30	130	430 67	1,234 00	East Chatham, "	
Schoodack.....	R. F. Snyder.....	170	11	1	1	4	102	6	0	.....	.....	90	554 46	689 00	Schoodack Landings, "
Stuyvesant.....	E. Nevias, S. C.....	110	1	1	1	1	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	65 00	690 00	Stuyvesant, "
Stuyvesant Falls.....	Vacant,*.....	50	2	1	1	1	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	65	65 00	690 00	Stuyvesant Falls, "
Total.....	Total.....	1409	57	23	13	9	1322	88	14	880	324	1014	\$3,779 57	\$16,215 60		

• Rev. Isaac L. Kip, pastor elect. *Ministers without Charge*.—Rev. E. D. Bates, Stuyvesant Falls; R. P. Winslow, suspended.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens		Number in Biblcal Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
West Troy.....	O. H. Gregory.....	112	2	3	6	2	8	235	3	...	40	\$654 00	\$1,500 00	West Troy, N. Y.	
South West Troy.....	G. L. Roof.....	93	3	4	...	1	133	7	1	...	39	900 00	900 00	do. "	
Wynantskill.....	Vacant.....	36	...	...	...	...	57	...	...	...	...	55 00	2,100 00	Wynantskill, "
Becht.....	Vacant.....	56	...	...	...	...	60	...	...	...	...	...	...	Cohoes, "
Waterford.....	Vacant.....	35	...	...	...	...	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	Waterford, "
Cohoes.....	C. N. Waldron, S. C.....	140	2	4	5	1	235	5	...	...	25	1332 80	8,650 00	Cohoes, "
Rensselaer.....	Vacant.....	22	...	...	...	...	43	...	...	...	...	...	...	Newtonville, "
Union Village.....	John Steele.....	80	...	5	3	...	4	134	3	...	30	390 78	1,000 00	Greenwich, "	
Saratoga.....	A. G. Lansing.....	93	9	4	5	1	4	123	4	5	66	169 00	1,175 17	Schuylerville, "	
Tossock.....	T. A. Gardner.....	44	...	1	...	2	2	50	2	...	17	74 50	750 00	Buskirk's Bridge, "	
Easton.....	A. G. Cochran.....	30	...	...	2	...	2	38	...	...	50	400 00	400 00	Easton, "
Schaghticoke.....	Vacant.....	40	2	...	...	...	52	52	...	1	10	15 00	1,000 00	Schaghticoke, "
Northumberland.....	Vacant.....	70	...	...	...	...	110	110	...	...	...	...	...	Bacon Hill, "
Gansevoort.....	Vacant.....	30	...	...	...	...	39	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jackson.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort Miller.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....		831	23	21	21	3	17	1,559	24	7	296	\$3,031 08	12,475 17		

Ministers without Charge.—C. Van Santvoord, chaplain, U. S. A., Schenectady; John Smith, Troy; John H. Bevier, Newburgh; John W. Major, Rochester.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families.	Communicants						Rap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Par- poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate												
1st Schenectady.....	E. E. Seelye.....	225	5	5	6	1	6	898	8	1	...	...	200	\$600 00	\$19,167 00	Schenectady, N. Y.
2d do.....	A. DuBois.....	80	18	17	1	1	100	9	5	5	50	15	85	74 84	2,552 00	do
3d do.....	W. F. Schwick.....	92	47	44	1	1	217	34	...	...	4	34	55	60 00	637 00	do
1st Glenville.....	J. Minor,*.....	150	6	8	...	...	225	15	4	...	...	85	134	80 89	657 00	Glenville, Scotia,
do.....	F. F. Wilson,*.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Hoffman's Ferry, Schenectady,
1st Rotterdam.....	J. C. Lowe.....	136	8	1	...	...	87	4	2	...	...	...	190	...	700 00	Glenelderland Cen.,
2d do.....	R. L. Schoonmaker,S.C.....	93	4	8	1	1	124	5	1	...	...	...	160	190 00	800 00	Vischer's Ferry, Niskayuna,
Heiderberg.....	W. P. Davis.....	240	8	...	...	...	280	15	...	...	...	...	...	190 00	775 00	Niskayuna, do
Amity.....	W. G. E. Sea.....	90	4	2	1	1	117	8	8	...	...	...	60	137 00	625 00	Princeton, Day.
Niskayuna.....	J. A. De Baun.....	100	5	3	...	...	158	2	...	...	...	...	40	100 00	654 00	
Lisbas Kill.....	do.....	80	36	8	...	...	144	7	9	...	...	...	50	139 00	...	
Princeton.....	J. H. Rickett, S. S.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Day.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Total.....	1271	131	46	24	8	20	1850	97	25	470	213	1039	\$1,401 23	\$27,227 00	

* Pastor elect. † No report. Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. J. Switz; Rev. J. G. Duryea, Chaplain of 81st Regiment, N. Y. V.; Rev. P. H. Burghardt, Chaplain of 1st Cavalry, N. Y. V.; Rev. D. B. Hall, Dutchess; G. D. Conness, Leominster, Schenectady.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants							Bap.		C. & E. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	N. Y.	
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number In Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses			
Schoharie.....	S. H. Cobb.....	92	4	2	...	...	...	3	135	4	...	39	39	55	\$122 68	\$912 74	Schoharie,	"
Middleburgh.....	Wm. E. Bogardus.....	78	6	...	...	...	4	108	1	1	...	15	15	130	86 00	570 00	Middleburgh,	"
Schoharie Mountain.....	do.....	50	1	...	1	...	...	...	60	1	...	10	20	85	1 50	160 00	do	"
Berne.....	E. Miller.....	60	2	...	...	...	2	96	2	1	...	...	...	55	48 61	965 95	Berne,	"
Beaver Dam.....	do.....	54	1	...	2	...	...	67	5	...	...	20	25	50	9 80	280 00	do	"
Gallupville.....	E. Vedder, S. C.....	61	3	4	...	...	1	93	...	1	...	...	...	54	120	747 14	Gallupville,	"
Knox.....	do.....	28	...	...	...	...	...	64	...	...	...	6	30	28	8 50	250 00	do	"
Lawyerville.....	H. A. Raymond.....	60	...	...	...	...	4	83	5	...	...	12	20	35	41 45	360 00	do	"
Sharon.....	do.....	53	4	...	...	1	1	93	2	...	...	12	20	35	29 00	409 00	do	"
Gilboa.....	W. W. Lusk.....	90	...	...	...	13	...	120	...	...	...	...	22	110	...	450 00	Gilboa,	"
North Blenheim.....	T. L. Shaffer.....	44	...	...	...	...	...	52	2	...	...	...	15	40	13 68	500 00	do	"
Breakabin.....	do.....	25	2	...	...	...	1	38	...	1	...	...	25	75	9 64	200 00	do	"
Ennence.....	Vacant.....	"
Cobleskill.....	do.....	"
Total.....	Total.....	697	23	6	18	2	27	1023	21	8	111	323	768	...	\$370 21	\$6,004 88			

Ministers without Charge.—J. M. Scribner, Middleburgh; Wm. A. Benedict, Durham; Eliza Doty, Missionary to China.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses		
Blue Mountain.....	Wm. D. Bucklew.....	90	...	1	...	1	105	2	...	15	15	80	\$25 00	\$62 26	Quarryville, N. Y.	
Caatsban.....	Vacant.....	95	4	8	...	1	183	8	...	40	20	150	287 46	1,040 64	Saugerties, "	
Esopus.....	Vacant.....	190	3	1	27+	...	3	170	3	...	...	45	25 64	850 00	Amesville, "
Flatbush.....	Vacant.....	190	4	9	...	6	170	17	1	75	35	150	...	...	Glasco, "
Kingsdon.....	J. C. F. Hoes.....	900	5	1	11+	...	12	854	9	1	127	175	225	924 00	4,021 00	Kingston, "
North Esopus.....	C. L. Van Dyck.....	70	1	...	...	1	131	9	...	70	...	82	183 00	586 75	Port Ewen, "
Plattekill.....	Vacant.....	135	3	1	...	5	241	19	...	50	50	130	50 00	550 00	Glasco, "	
Saugerties.....	J. Gaston, S. C.....	130	7	6	1	...	4	220	10	...	50	50	151	2,401 33	1,963 22	Saugerties, "
Shokan.....	A. P. Peeke.....	60	...	2	...	2	84	2	...	...	...	30	28 00	540 00	Shokan, "
Shandaken.....	A. P. Peeke.....	95	9	...	...	...	31	...	2	...	...	...	8 00	945 00	do "
West Hurley.....	C. Case.....	52	3	...	...	1	102	6	1	12	13	30	55 00	440 00	West Hurley, "
Wiltwyck.....	Wm. A. Shaw.....	19	12	4	...	...	25	7	4	6	13	100	...	...	Woodstock, "
Woodstock.....	Vacant ^a
Total.....	Total.....	996	44	59	7	32	1,639	94	9	405	369	1,103	\$3,952 43	\$10,003 87		

* No report. † Nine to organize the church at Wiltwyck. ‡ Twenty-six to form the church at St. Remy. *Modellers without Charge*.—Henry Osterander, D.D., Saugerties; J. Gorman, D.D., Saugerties; C. Blauvelt, W. L. James, Abm. H. Meyer, Amesville. Wesley Taylor, suspended.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Contributions Congregational Pur- poses	POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Number of Scholars—Average		
1st Tarrytown.....	Abel T. Stewart.....	88	99	8	1	1	198	14	9	45	55	61	\$584 82	Tarrytown, Westchester Co. N. Y.
2d Tarrytown.....	John A. Todd.....	100	85	12	1	1	243	6	11	76	83	94	2,218 44	" "
Unionville.....	Wm. S. Moore, (E. C.).....	36	...	1	...	1	78	...	...	20	16	22	1,788 84	Neperan, " "
Greenburgh.....	Wm. S. Moore.....	35	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	15	25	156 66	" "
Yonkers.....	John H. Fletcher.....	43	10	1	1	1	75	2	7	12	...	89	281 40	Scarsdale, " "
Hastings.....	Victor M. Hubert.....	100	7	1	...	...	184	19	2	50	90	120	41 60	Yonkers, " "
Fordham.....	Henry H. Johnson.....	60	1	5	...	...	87	...	...	...	...	80	8,416 86	Hastings-on-Hudson, " "
Mount Vernon.....	James Bolton.....	85	...	1	...	...	61	2	...	80	20	80	1,294 88	Fordham, Westchester Co. "
West Farms.....	Vacant.....	62	8	6	12	1	90	4	...	92	92	79	88 70	Mount Vernon, " "
Bronxville.....	Polhemus Van Wyck.....	65	2	6	...	...	90	2	...	20	40	54	194 00	West Farms, " "
Peekskill.....	W. Roosevelt.....	50	2	4	1	1	90	5	1	...	...	30	2,610 00	Pelham, " "
Corlandtown.....	Charles D. Buck.....	40	1	1	...	1	57	5	...	30	50	50	102 45	Peekskill, " "
Melrose.....	Vacant.....	65	93	1	...	1	63	...	1	15	40	80	4,280 75	E. Haverstraw, " "
	John M. Wagner.....				...	...	50	17	...	16	16	50	89 10	Morrisania, " "
	Total.....	829	113	86	84	1	1289	73	24	406	519	749	\$5,508 25	
													\$25,856 25	

Minist'ers without Charge.—Rev. M. Schroeffer, Morrisania, N. Y. A. Watson, [City Agent of New York Bible Society.] Sing Sing, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census. Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & D. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
Franklin.....	Vacant.....	90	.....	.....	.....	8	.....	.....	44	5	.....	.....	.....	\$107 93	.....	Franklin, Milwaukee co. Wis.
Bechehem.....	Vacant.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4	39	3	.....	.....	.....	31 11	\$21 82	Bechehem, Milwaukee P.O. "
* Holland.....	Vacant.....	63	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	134	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	" Cedar Grove, Sheboygan co. "
Oostburgh.....	K. Van der Schuur..	95	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	6	260	21	.....	.....	.....	204 09	538 20	" "
Sheboygan Falls..	Vacant.....	8	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	79	4	.....	.....	.....	81 03	10 06	" "
Gibbsville.....	Vacant.....	83	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	67	11	.....	.....	.....	69 87	141 25	" "
* Alto.....	Vacant.....	79	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	134	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Sheboygan Falls, Sheboygan co. "
Milwaukee.....	J. Van der Meulen..	56	.....	.....	.....	6	.....	.....	136	11	.....	.....	.....	299 33	1,047 59	Alto, Milwaukee, Box 916 "
1st Chicago.....	H. G. Klyn.....	65	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	1	123	29	.....	.....	.....	150 87	.....	Chicago, Illinois. "
Livingston, Chicago	N. D. Williamson..	23	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	43	6	.....	.....	.....	86 00	1,200 00	West Chicago, Box 233, III. "
High Prairie.....	S. Bolka.....	40	.....	.....	.....	2	.....	3	88	20	.....	.....	.....	553 94	492 10	Thornion, Cook co. "
Low Prairie.....	Vacant.....	81	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	111	15	.....	.....	.....	800 15	2,263 75	" "
North Creek.....	J. Muller.....	11	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	14	2	.....	.....	.....	14 35	.....	" "
Silver Creek.....	Vacant.....	125	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	136	28	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Presport, Ill. "
Forreston.....	Vacant.....	40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	94	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	" "
Eden.....	A. Mattee.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	" "
Total.....	Total.....	746	55	31	69	9	35	1317	160	3	600	80	303	\$2,418 67	\$5,694 77	

* Last year's report.

Stated Clerk, Rev. J. Van der Meulen.

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REF. PROT. DUTCH CHURCH FOR THE YEAR 1864.

CLASSES	Churches	Minist'ers	Candidates	Number of Families	Received		Now in Com-munion	Baptized		No. of Cate-chumens	No. in Biblical Instruction	Total No. of S. & Scholars	Contributions		STATED CLERKS
					On Con-fession	On Cer-tifi-cate		Infants	Adults				Religious and Ben-eficent Purposes	Congrega-tional Purposes	
Class of Albany.....	16	15	...	1351	101	28	2381	107	28	580	1225	1651	\$14,289 91	\$24,353 86	Rev. Isaac N. Wyckoff.
Class of Arcot.....	7	...	...	240	54	63	291	63	48	94	...	...	...	...	Rev. Eschiel C. Souder.
Class of Bergen.....	11	12	...	705	32	81	910	105	8	665	865	1070	9,661 45	9,913 64	Rev. Alex. H. Warner.
South Class of Bergen.....	14	15	...	1545	90	97	1713	99	7	1643	1683	2420	24,635 55	41,644 78	Rev. Paul D. Van Cleaf.
Class of Cayuga.....	12	11	...	794	58	80	735	96	24	533	840	945	9,320 99	9,716 45	Rev. F. V. Van Vranken.
Class of Geneva.....	16	17	...	1046	84	81	1388	122	6	449	503	528	5,254 56	11,776 84	Rev. George J. Van Natta.
Class of Greene.....	10	9	...	1045	92	27	1829	46	87	539	895	1103	2,152 19	10,157 81	Rev. Samuel T. Searle.
Class of Holland.....	10	9	...	1249	65	44	2019	261	8	994	...	...	4,964 41	7,656 49	Rev. Adrian Zwemer.
Class of Hudson.....	8	9	...	951	87	13	1310	52	12	81	152	959	2,589 87	11,692 18	Rev. D. D. Demarest.
Class of Illinois.....	11	10	...	431	68	30	621	89	17	157	285	662	699 88	5,718 48	Rev. John S. Joramont.
Class of Kingston.....	13	9	...	1040	65	40	1526	91	22	593	500	1323	4,444 67	9,566 27	Rev. Benj. C. Lippincott.
North Class of Long Island.....	14	20	1	1301	180	70	1883	119	25	1360	1132	2641	9,758 82	84,161 91	Rev. J. H. Kersew.
South Class of Long Island.....	14	17	1	1620	101	108	2920	155	12	1712	1015	2264	64,255 46	46,921 90	Rev. Jacob West.
Class of Michigan.....	12	10	...	821	4	24	303	12	...	...	144	465	305 06	2,571 35	Rev. J. H. Kersew.
Class of Monmouth.....	8	10	...	535	45	21	950	45	19	337	805	637	4,354 08	8,167 68	Rev. A. C. Millspaugh.
Class of Montgomery.....	23	18	...	1406	57	23	1564	45	19	250	325	1033	1,103 19	11,790 88	Rev. A. H. Van Vranken.
Class of New Brunswick.....	10	15	1	1009	86	68	1555	80	15	717	392	1323	23,909 80	22,025 99	Rev. J. Addison Van Dorsen.
Class of New York.....	17	32	...	2207	248	143	4049	277	37	1943	751	3904	47,297 69	62,115 08	Rev. N. J. Marselus.
South Class of New York.....	11	14	1	813	127	95	1992	263	21	593	952	1997	18,605 44	27,511 46	Rev. S. H. Meeker.
Class of Orange.....	92	92	...	2123	79	70	9817	153	18	900	955	2076	5,137 34	18,248 88	Rev. Charles Scott.
Class of Paramus.....	15	16	...	1561	63	51	9157	161	6	1084	503	1580	4,423 64	19,923 47	Rev. J. Paschal Strong.
Class of Passaic.....	10	11	...	959	19	15	1160	67	5	398	264	755	1,069 23	30,562 87	Rev. J. Ferguson Harris.
Class of Philadelphia.....	14	17	...	150	233	64	2401	151	90	926	967	2710	7,074 98	80,932 87	Rev. Theo. B. Romeyn.
Class of Fourknoppe.....	11	16	...	1144	53	47	1969	39	23	250	482	1178	8,676 68	15,617 59	Rev. C. S. Hageman.
Class of Raritan.....	13	16	...	1209	75	66	2111	123	8	592	852	1663	3,372 65	15,617 59	Rev. John F. Meek.
Class of Rensselaer.....	12	11	...	1409	57	28	1552	38	14	389	324	1014	3,719 87	16,215 69	Rev. Ebert Nevius.
Class of Saratoga.....	16	11	...	881	23	21	1559	24	7	169	296	684	8,081 08	12,475 17	Rev. Charles N. Waldron.
Class of Schoenectady.....	13	16	...	1271	131	46	1850	97	25	470	1213	1039	1,401 23	9,227 00	Rev. R. L. S. boomaker.
Class of Schuylkill.....	14	10	...	697	23	6	1028	21	8	111	928	763	870 91	6,004 88	Rev. E. Velder, <i>pro tem</i> .
Class of Ulster.....	13	13	...	996	44	18	1639	94	9	406	465	869	3,932 43	10,048 87	Rev. John Gaston.
Class of Westchester.....	14	13	...	829	113	86	1289	73	24	405	519	1103	5,593 23	25,886 23	Rev. Charles D. Buck.
Class of Wisconsin.....	16	7	...	746	55	81	1317	160	8	600	30	805	9,415 67	5,694 77	Rev. J. Van Der Meulen.
Total.....	494	439	5	34936	2565	1459	53933	3915	555	30137	15934	41235	\$376,475 79	\$539,076 17	

ARTICLE VII.

SYNODICAL REFERENCES.

The Committee on Synodical Minutes presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Synodical Minutes would respectfully report as follows : That they have examined the Minutes of the Particular Synods of New York, Albany, and Chicago, and find the following references, which claim the attention of the General Synod :

On page 84 of Minutes of Particular Synod of Albany, the Committee on the Questorate report as follows :

Your Committee would further report, that it is their conviction, and we believe the general sentiment of this Synod, that the permanent funds of the Church are now too small for the purposes which the Church expected them to serve, and which they answered at the time they were created. They no longer meet the salaries of the Professors and the necessary expenses of our Theological Seminary. The successful effort to endow Rutgers College, has shown that our people are not insensible to the importance of the matter, and we believe that, properly approached, the Dutch Church will also increase the funds to a sufficient amount to meet all the necessities for the permanent endowment of the Theological Seminary. In view of these facts, and the very great difficulty of raising these increasing amounts under the present system of levy upon the several Classes, your Committee recommend the adoption by this Synod of the following :

Whereas, Much complaint is expressed among our Classes and Churches, in relation to the difficulty of meeting the amount annually required by the Synod for its current expenses,

Resolved, That the Particular Synod of Albany view with apprehension, the increasing amounts levied upon the Churches, under the name of contingent expenses, and do most respectfully, yet earnestly, urge upon the General Synod the inauguration of an earnest effort for such an increase of the permanent funds of the Church as shall meet all necessary expenditures for our educational institutions at New Brunswick, leaving only such amounts to be raised by assessments upon our Churches as may be required for the contingent expenses, properly so termed, of our several ecclesiastical bodies.

On page 4 of Minutes of Particular Synod of Chicago will be found the following Resolutions :

Resolved, That the Particular Synod be respectfully and earnestly requested to consider the importance of the publication, by the Board of Publication, of an Almanac, in which may be given a comprehensive statement of the work of our denomination in a small compass, for the sake of extending the knowledge of our Church in the West.

Therefore, *Resolved*, That this Synod calls the attention of the General Synod to this matter.

Also, on page 16, will be found the following resolutions, referring to "a General Plan of Education," which is suggestive, and is as follows on page 15 :

The encouragement of the founding of Academies under the care of the respective Classes, with the benefit of free tuition in the western College of our Church, to such pupils as may receive a suitable certificate of graduation.

The immediate elevation of the Holland Academy into the rank of a college for our western Churches.

The laying of the foundation of a Theological Seminary in connection with the new college, by establishing at once a Theological Professorship of Missionary Training. We consider that any and every theological seminary in the land would be greatly benefitted by the adoption of such a department. The first work of the kind that was done for the Church was performed by the Lord himself, who trained His disciples to be Missionaries. The Apostles imitated Him, and continued the work of preparing Missionaries. The great work of the Church, in all time, is its Missionary work; and we desire to see a Missionary character given to our institutions, by founding the first professorship in the new theological seminary as that of Missionary training; afterward, according to need and opportunity, the usual departments to be added, viz: Biblical Literature, Didactic and Polemic Theology, and Pastoral Theology, with Church History and Government.

"1. That the General Synod be earnestly requested to establish the Holland Academy as the Western College of the Reformed Dutch Church in North America; and that Rev. Philip Phelps be recommended to the Churches in the work of securing for the endowment of the new college the sum of eighty-five thousand dollars (85,000), which has been named by the Board of Superintendents as the least sum adequate to present wants.

"2. That the General Synod be requested at its next meeting to appoint a Theological Professorship of Missionary Training.

"3. That we regard this immediate establishment of a suitable college and theological seminary at the West as of the greatest importance to our Church extension, especially by the securing of trained ministers from among ourselves."

Your Committee would also call the attention of the General Synod to a plan suggested on page 19, to the Board of Missions, bearing upon the better conduct of the Missionary work at the West. Attention is called, likewise, to a suggestion made to the Board of Publication, on the importance of issuing a translation of Rev. D. D. Demarest's "History of the Reformed Dutch Church," for circulation among the Holland Churches. Likewise to the suggestion

of issuing a *cheap* edition of the Constitution of our Church for circulation among our congregations.

T. B. ROMEYN, *Chairman*.

It was resolved that the reference in the above report to the Minutes of the Particular Synod of Albany be referred to the Committee on the Professorate; that what is found in the Minutes of the Particular Synod of Chicago, referring to Publication, be referred to the Committee on Publication; so much as refers to Education to the Committee on Education; so much as refers to Foreign Missions to the Committee on Foreign Missions; so much as refers to Domestic Missions to the Committee on Domestic Missions; and so much as relates to a plan of Education for the West to a special committee. The following Committee was appointed: Revs. C. Scott, J. W. Schenck, C. Vanderveen, and Elders S. B. Schieffelin and H. R. Furbeck.

ARTICLE VIII.

SYNODICAL APPEALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE IX.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

The Committee on the revision of the Digest of the laws of the Synod reported progress and was continued.

It was resolved, that a Committee of three be appointed to prepare additional rules of order for the government of General Synod in their proceedings, and that said Committee be directed to report to the General Synod at its next annual session.

Rev. John Forsyth, J. Romeyn Berry, and Elder J. B. Jewett were appointed.

ARTICLE X.

DOCTRINES AND MORALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XI.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XII.

SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Thirty-second Annual Report of the Board of Education was received and referred to the Committee on Education, with the exception of so much as refers to vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education was received and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Committee on Education presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Education having examined the Report of the Board of Education and the other papers referred to them by the Synod, present their report as follows :

After the full and clear statement of what has been accomplished during the year, given in the Report of the Board, and the address of the Secretary, it is unnecessary to give in detail the facts which must have greatly interested all who heard them.

There is no mention of large additions to the funds in the hands of the Board, as was the case last year ; but this may not be regarded as evidence of less interest in that department of our work, of which they have oversight, since special effort was then made to free the Board from debt, and special effort has been made, during this year, for the accomplishment of what must be considered as directly connected with this department.

The Van Benschoten Fund account, submitted by the Treasurer of Rutgers College, represents that the principal is all invested, and there is a balance on hand of \$1,071 77.

The Knox Fund account exhibits a balance on hand of \$233 11.

The Committee call attention to the fact, that neither of these accounts is audited, and recommend that they be submitted to the proper committee for their examination.

The Treasurer's account of the " Education Fund Income " shows a balance of \$1,864 66, and the Report of the Treasurer of the Board furnishes a total of funds on hand, \$1,489 06, of which the items are—Education funds \$705 30, Parochial School funds, \$308 21, and Special funds, \$475 55.

It is occasion for gratitude that the Board has been able to meet all the demands upon its treasury without incurring debt—yet the statement is humiliating when the ability of the Churches is considered, and lamentable when what might be done were such an amount supplied as might be expected from the denomination is conceived—that less than one-half of our Churches make any contribu-

tion to this agency, upon which depend so largely our vigor and growth.

There is one subject properly within the range of this Committee, and spoken of accidentally by the Board, which should call forth the united and hearty thanks of the Synod at this time, viz: the permanent endowment of Rutgers College, which has been effected during the past year. In itself considered, there are few accomplished facts that bear more powerfully upon the future of the world, than that a nobly-manned Christian College is placed beyond peradventure in its position of high influence on the successive ages. An intelligent, far-seeing benefactor of his race is he who gives such worth to his money as is imparted to it by so worthy a use. Fortunate and wise is the generation to whom is given the privilege and the heart to bequeath such an available legacy to those who shall come after them. But we have special cause for congratulation and thanks, in view of so successful a result from our efforts, since our Church is now so vitally and generally connected with the College, and they must reciprocally affect each other in their future parallel advance. By ties which cannot be sundered are the hearts of our people now bound to this venerable Institution, and with blessings most abundant in the facilities for the education of their sons, and in the supply of a thoroughly trained ministry, will they be repaid for the endowment, which justly excites our pride, awakens our hopes, and stimulates our prayers.

The success which has thus attended our intelligent liberality towards a College, to be a perennial fountain of good in the East, should rouse us to like energy in the attainment of a like blessing for our young but vigorous Churches in the West. It is, therefore, occasion for further congratulation, in the judgment of your Committee, that the Holland Academy, which has already done so much for the denomination, and for the region in which it has been located, and which has never been as prosperous as now, is calling modestly, but loudly, for endowment as a college fully equipped for its great work. It can hardly be doubted that this call will meet a response that will reveal the ability, and wisdom, and liberal piety of our people, even more brilliantly than has their late cheerful offering on behalf of their eastern institution.

It is not surprising that, in connection with this general revival of interest respecting Christian education in the Church, the Board should be prompted to more than usual zeal touching the establishment and support of Parochial schools. Nor is it surprising that throughout the Church there should be manifest a growing feeling of sympathy with appeals thus addressed to them. Circumstances, in many cases, may make it inexpedient or impossible for Churches to establish these schools in such a manner as may give promise of success: yet many are thinking more seriously than ever respecting their duty to their children, in view of the evils often found in the public schools of the country. Your Committee recommend, that

when it is deemed practicable, Consistories regard it as worthy of their grave consideration, whether the Church and the Master may not be honored by the effort to furnish the early education of our children, under the influence of those hallowed Christian institutions, which we would ever have them hold dear.

The statistics and statements in the Report of the Board, respecting the beneficiaries under their care, are worthy of attention. Of these are fifty-eight, and their various instructors give a very favorable account of them all. When it is remembered that one-third of the active ministry of the Church have been introduced into the sacred office through the agency which is still so signally successful, it will be seen that we are largely indebted to it for the very life-blood which gives us strength. We should make even larger demands upon it in the future, and we should furnish still more abundant means with which to answer these demands. Church-extension, and, what is of infinitely more consequence, though connected with this, the extension of our Master's kingdom, requires that we care liberally and constantly for the various educational interests committed to our hands.

In conclusion, the Committee sum up what they report for action, in the following Resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That all our Churches should contribute systematically to the funds of the Board of Education.
2. *Resolved*, That as speedily as possible, Holland Academy should be endowed as a first-class College in the West.
3. *Resolved*, That the Board should exercise careful oversight over their beneficiaries, while under their direction, and use all proper means to aid them in becoming usefully settled when their studies are completed.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

JAMES EELLS, *Chairman*.

The Committee on the Plan of Education at the West presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Special Committee, to whom was referred the "Plan of Education for the West," submitted by the Particular Synod of Chicago, report :

The Classes at the West have ever shown a deep interest in the cause of Christian education. Every effort hitherto made by them in this direction, has met the coöperation and support of the General Synod, nor will we now tie their hands or say aught to them but this—"Brethren, go forward in the strength of the Lord!" The main object of said Classes is, not the mere literary training of the youth, but a system of sound education, thoroughly connected with

the Reformed Dutch Church, and looking to the preparation of a faithful ministry for the West, and for the general work of Missions. With due Synodical coöperation this system will go on towards perfection, and will open a glorious prospect for the extension of our beloved Church. It is not necessary to enter into details concerning this plan of the Synod of Chicago, and your Committee would merely offer the following resolutions :

1. *Resolved*, That this policy of Parochial Schools and Academies has repeatedly been approved, as being intimately connected with the best interest of the Reformed Dutch Church, and that any efforts in the Synod of Chicago for the establishment of the same be hailed with satisfaction by this General Synod.

2. *Resolved*, That the proposed project of a denominational college for the West be cordially endorsed by this Synod, and that all necessary arrangements for the establishment of the same be entrusted to the Board of Superintendents for Holland Academy, and to the Synod of Chicago.

3. *Resolved*, That Rev. Philip Phelps be recommended to the Classes and the Churches in his efforts to raise \$85,000 for said college, it being understood that the institution shall, as soon as possible, have a theological character, and that the money so raised be paid to the Board of Direction, subject to the action of the General Synod.

With regard to the proposed connection of a Theological Seminary with the new College, the Committee feel that such a measure may be demanded in time, and will necessarily grow up as the wants of the Church require it ; yet, in the midst of so many other enterprises of great importance, this is not the time to propose or press it.

Respectfully submitted,

C. SCOTT, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Education whose terms of service have expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that Revs. J. W. Schenck, J. A. Lansing, A. T. Stewart, Messrs. B. L. Kip, C. Dusenberry, J. B. Jewett, Daniel Talmage, and Peter S. Duryee were elected.

Resolved, That J. Justin of the Senior Class in the Theological Seminary, and M. Kiekinvelt and H. Uiterwyk of the Middle Class, be recommended to be placed on the Van Benachoten Fund.

ARTICLE XIII.

RUTGERS COLLEGE.

Resolved, That a Committee of five be appointed to report, to this Synod the terms and conditions on which the Board of Direction shall be authorized to convey to the Trustees of Rutgers College the College grounds and buildings at New Brunswick.

The following Committee was appointed: Elders J. N. Rogers, S. B. Schieffelin; Rev. J. Eells, J. M. Ferris, T. B. Romeyn.

The Committee presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee, to whom were referred the resolutions before Synod in reference to the Rutgers College property at New Brunswick, with instructions to report the terms and conditions on which a conveyance of said property should be made by the Synod to the Trustees of the College, respectfully present the following Report:

The whole subject referred to your Committee resolves itself into two points: 1st. Is it expedient and desirable that the College property (so called) should be conveyed to the Trustees of the College at all? 2d. If so, on what terms and conditions should such conveyance be made?

1st, upon the first point, the following considerations present themselves: The circumstances existing when the property was conveyed by the Trustees of the College to the Synod, and which alone induced and justified that conveyance, no longer exist, but, on the contrary, an *exactly opposite* state of things exists. The Trustees of the College, under the pressure of the financial embarrassments then surrounding them, felt unable to continue to prosecute the College enterprise, and were desirous of making some disposition of the property, by which, on the one hand, it would be secured to the benefit of the Church, by the contributions of whose members it had been principally acquired; and, on the other hand, they would be relieved from pecuniary liabilities incurred in the erection of the building. But the abandonment of the College scheme did not, and was not intended to involve the abandonment of the Synod's Theological Seminary, which, by the previous plan, was, jointly with the College, to enjoy the use and occupation of the College building (the Synod having agreed, as a consideration therefor, to contribute \$3,000 towards the erection of the building), which, by the alienation of the property, by the Trustees, to any parties other than the Synod, would be deprived of its local habitation.

Thus, while the Trustees no longer needed the property for the College, the Synod did need it for the Seminary, and accordingly, it

was conveyed by the former to the latter, in 1825, in consideration of the release of an indebtedness of the Trustees to the Synod for \$2,212 12, and the further sum of \$4,000, and \$800 interest thereon, for about three years, amounting in all to \$7,012—a consideration totally inadequate to the real value of the property, which had cost upwards of \$30,000.

The situation of things is now exactly reversed. The Synod no longer needs the College building for the purposes of the Seminary, which has ample accommodation through the munificence of those benefactors to whom the Church owes the possession of the Hertzog Theological Hall. So far as the *Seminary* is concerned, the Synod derives no benefit from the College property, save the use of the two wings of the building as residences for two of the Theological Professors, and subject to the very material drawback of liability for the whole expenses for repairs, insurance, &c., upon the whole building. On the other hand, the College, so happily revived from the lethargy which threatened to terminate in fatal dissolution, and now, by the Christian liberality of the members of our Church, continued with the splendid endowment, upon certain just and wise conditions, received from the State of New Jersey, placed upon a footing which will enable it to enter on a course of greatly expanded usefulness, has immediate and pressing need of the title to and complete control of the property. It is true that under the agreement already existing between the Trustees and the Synod, the College has the use of the building (except the portions occupied for professoral residences) for the College purposes, of which the Synod cannot deprive it. But, in order to enable it to carry on its operations on the more enlarged and liberal scale which will now justly be expected of it, and especially to fulfill the conditions of its grant from the State of New Jersey, it needs the use of the *whole* of the present building, with the ability from time to time, as occasion may demand, to erect new buildings and make other improvements and alterations in the condition of the property, such as to adapt it to meet the wants of the institution, and enable it to keep up with other like institutions in the onward march of improvement. It certainly needs no argument to show, that for these purposes it is absolutely necessary that the Trustees should be invested with the title to and absolute control of the property, subject only to such conditions as shall secure the paramount influence of the Reformed Dutch Church over the management of the institution. The use, by the Theological Professors, of portions of the College building as residences, now rendered comparatively ineligible by the removal of the Seminary itself to Hertzog Hall—will be more than compensated for by devoting the money proposed to be paid by the Trustees for the property to the erection of new dwellings for the professors upon the grounds attached to the Theological Hall.

2d. As to the terms and conditions on which the conveyance should be made. This may be sub-divided into two heads—the first relating

to the pecuniary consideration which the Synod should receive; the second, to the conditions and restrictions necessary to secure to the Reformed Dutch Church a paramount influence in the management of the College.

1st, As to the *price*. This may be looked at from several different points of view. Thus, it may be viewed with reference to the consideration actually paid by the Synod for the property. This has been already stated to have been \$7,012, more or less. If to this be added the sum of \$3,000, which the Synod had agreed to contribute towards the erection of a Theological Hall, it will make \$10,012. The Synod has no doubt expended, from time to time, considerable sums in repairs, &c., upon the property, as an offset to which it has had the use and enjoyment of the property, in part exclusively, and in part in common with the College.

Again, the matter may be viewed as a purely business transaction between A and B, with reference solely to the benefit now derived from the property to the Synod, and its value to them in the market. The sole benefit now derived by the Synod from the property is the use of the wings as residences for the Theological Professors, the rental of which may be estimated at from \$800 to \$1,000 per year. To be deducted from this is the annual expense to which Synod is subjected on account of the property, shown, by the able report of the Committee on Contingent Expenses, to average \$400 per year. It thus appears that the use of the property is worth to the Synod no more than from \$400 to \$600 per year. If we consider the value of the property to the Synod for purposes of sale, we find that the College, under the written agreement or covenant between it and the Synod, executed in 1840, is perpetually entitled (in compliance with its part of the agreement), to the possession and use of the College building for the purposes of the exercises of the College, and cannot be deprived of it by the Synod; furthermore, that of these portions of the grounds in which the President's house and Van Nest Hall are erected, the College holds leases from the Synod, with covenants for perpetual renewal, from time to time, unless at the expiration of the lease, the Synod pays the Trustees for the buildings, which have been erected by them. It thus appears, that the Synod is invested with the bare legal title to the property, without the power to sell or give possession to a purchaser, without a release of their rights by the College Trustees, except perhaps as to such portions of the ground (if any) as are not essential to the use and enjoyment of the College buildings; a sale of which would result in such a dismemberment of the property as your Committee are confident that the Synod would never authorize.

But neither of these views to your Committee appears to be the just and liberal view of the matter which ought to be taken by the Synod. The College and the Synod, as representing the Theological Seminary, are not two unconnected bodies, having no interest in each other's welfare, and dealing with each other on the same footing upon which

business men deal with each other. The College and the Seminary are alike parts of the Church's one entire scheme of Christian education. They are the complements of each other. Each has a vital interest in the prosperity of the other; and both are entitled to the fostering care of the Church. Never for a moment should they be viewed as having any antagonistic relations. Never for a moment should the idea be entertained of permitting the one to speculate upon the necessities of the other. The Synod's Board of Direction, and the Corporation of the College are alike merely parts of the machinery of the Church for the proper and convenient administration of the means which she provides for the education of her youth and the training of her ministry. They should be regarded not as bodies having separate interests, but as parts of one harmonious whole. Either should be indifferently employed in carrying out the Church's scheme of education, with sole reference to the advantages offered for the attainment of the great ends proposed. If the title to the College property can, with advantage to the College, and without injury to the Seminary, be transferred to the Trustees of the College, it should unhesitatingly be done; and no thought of driving a hard or a profitable bargain with the Trustees, either for the benefit of the Seminary, or in order to relieve the Church from the necessity of further contributions, should be entertained. In whatever light the matter is viewed, we are of opinion that the sum of twelve thousand dollars is a reasonable and sufficient pecuniary consideration to be required by the Synod for the conveyance of the property to the College.

2d. As to the guarantees to be required to secure the paramount influence of the Dutch Church in the administration of the College. This is a point on which the Committee have had no difficulty, and think the Synod will have none. The obvious mode of accomplishing the end proposed, is to have inserted in the deed conveying the property to the College Trustees, conditions by which, if the property shall cease to be used and occupied for the collegiate purposes, or if, at any time, the President of the College and three-fourths of the Board of Trustees shall not be members in full communion in the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, then the deed shall be void, and the title to the property revert to the Synod. There is no legal difficulty, that the Committee are aware of, in the way of such a conveyance, and it seems to them to furnish the most simple and effectual way of securing the College to the Dutch Church.

The following resolutions are unanimously recommended by the Committee for adoption by the Synod. They have been framed after a full conference with the President of the College, and the members of the Board of Trustees present, five in number, and the Committee are authorized to say, that they are acceptable to them :

1st. *Resolved*, That the Board of Direction be, and they are hereby authorized and directed to convey the title to the ground and buildings at New Brunswick, known as "Rutgers College," to the Trustees of Rutgers College, for the sum of twelve thousand dollars, to be paid

by said Trustees as follows : One thousand dollars on the delivery of the deed of conveyance, and eleven thousand dollars May 1st, 1867, or when possession shall be given to said Trustees of the wings of the College building, now occupied as residences by the Theological Professors, if given before said date ; said payment of eleven thousand dollars to be meantime secured by mortgage on said property, bearing no interest until due.

Provided, That the deed of conveyance shall reserve to the Synod the use of the said portions of the College building occupied as professoral residences, until May 1st, 1867, for such residences, if the Synod shall elect to and use them until that date ;

And provided further, That the deed of conveyance shall contain conditions, properly framed under competent legal advice, that the property so conveyed shall be used and occupied by the College for the purpose of collegiate education and the usual and proper incidents thereto ; and that the President of the College, and three-fourths of the members of its Board of Trustees shall always be members in full communion of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of North America ; and that, on breach of either of these conditions, the deed of conveyance shall be void, and the title to the property revert to the Synod.

2d. *Resolved*, That the said sum of twelve thousand dollars, to be so paid by the Trustees of the College, be and the same is hereby set apart as a fund for the purpose of erecting, upon the grounds of the Hertsog Theological Hall, residences for the Theological Professors ; and, until such time as it may be deemed expedient to erect such residences, the Board of Direction are instructed to have said sum safely invested in such manner that it may be readily made available, when required, in defraying the expense of such erection.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

In behalf of the Committee,

JOHN N. ROGERS, *Chairman*.

Resolved, That Rev. Isaac Ferris, Messrs. William B. Crosby and S. B. Schieffelin, be appointed a Committee to wait upon the Rev. Professors Woodbridge and Berg, and request, in behalf of the Synod, their assent to and coöperation in the measures which the Synod has adopted in reference to the transfer of Rutgers College property to the Trustees of the College, so far as the same relates to the residences now occupied by them respectively.

ARTICLE XIV.

PROFESSORATE.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Hertzog Hall be continued for another year as at present constituted.

Resolved, That the Standing Committee on Hertzog Hall be directed to hold regular meetings, to keep a book of Minutes, and to make an annual report to the Board of Superintendents, a synopsis of which shall be by them transmitted to the General Synod.

Resolved, That the members of the Committee on Hertzog Hall, except the Professors of the Theological Seminary, be directed to divide themselves into three classes, one retiring each successive year, and report the name of the retiring member each year to the Board of Superintendents.

Synod proceeded to fill the places of the members of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, whose terms of office had expired.

Nominations were received from the Classes of Hudson, Orange, Monmouth, Rensselaer, Saratoga, Greene, Paramus, Westchester, Schoharie, and Geneva.

The Committee on Nominations reported a double number of persons from whom to choose members for the Classes who have not nominated.

The following were elected: Rev. Charles J. Shepard from the Classis of Hudson, Edward W. Bentley from the Classis of Orange, Ezra W. Collier from the Classis of Monmouth, B. F. Snyder from the Classis of Rensselaer, O. H. Gregory from the Classis of Saratoga, Cyril Spaulding from the Classis of Greene, J. T. Demarest from the Classis of Paramus, Abel T. Stewart from the Classis of Westchester, Edward Miller from the Classis of Schoharie, George J. Van Neste from the Classis of Geneva, Joseph Scudder from the Classis of Arcot, W. R. Gordon from the Classis of Bergen, and J. M. Ferris from the Classis of Michigan, for two years.

The following nominations for members of the Board of Superintendents of the Holland Academy, made by the Particular Synod of Chicago, were confirmed: Elder G. W. Force of the Classis of Michigan, W. G. Stewart of the Classis of Illinois, H. O. Yntema of the Classis of Holland, Jacob Van Zanten, of the Classis of Wiscon-

sin : Rev. S. J. Rogers, for one year, in the place of Rev. William Bailey, from the Classis of Michigan ; Rev. John Vandermeulen, for one year, in the place of Rev. Jacob Vandermeulen.

The Committee on the Contingent Fund, appointed by the last General Synod, presented the following Report, which was accepted, amended, and adopted :

The Committee, to whom was referred, by the last General Synod, "the whole subject of the Contingent Fund," beg leave to report—

They have taken up the Memorial of the Classis of Orange, the Resolutions of the Classis of Geneva, the Report of the Special Committee appointed in June last to consider the above Memorial and Resolutions, and all the documents which seemed to bear upon the subject, and have given to them a careful deliberation. Besides private consultations, one with another, they have twice met for the preparation of a Report, and unanimously concur in the propositions herewith submitted.

THE SUBJECT STATED.

From 1852 to 1855, all the expenses of the General Synod, with the exception of two items, were paid from the income of the Permanent Fund. In the last-mentioned year, the salaries of the Professors in the Theological Seminary were increased, and since then, the charges on the Treasury have steadily multiplied, until the yearly deficiency is not less than \$1,500, and may be one-half as much more, or over \$2,000. Said deficiency has, since 1857, been divided as a tax among the Classes, and has been inaccurately called an "Assessment for the Contingent Expenses of General Synod." It is unfortunate that such an expression ever came into use in this connection. The tax is not truly levied for "Contingent Expenses," but for all deficiencies in the Synod's revenue, from year to year, whatever be the cause of the expenditure ; on this ground the Classes complain. Some of them either refuse to pay the sum apportioned to them or pay reluctantly and under protest. Meantime the evil grows ; for, while the rate of interest, and therefore the income of the Permanent Fund diminishes, scarcely a meeting of the Synod passes without calling for new appropriations. From all sections of the Church comes the demand for a financial change, for the inauguration of some measure or measures which will merely assess the Classes for such expenses as are indeed *contingent*, and provide a fixed or funded income for all other obligations of the General Synod.

EXPENSES.

The expenses of the General Synod, so far as they pass under review in this Report, are of a fourfold character :

1. Those which properly appertain to the organization and meetings of the Synod. In the Treasurer's Account for June, 1863, there are given as follows :

Salary of the Stated Clerk, postage, &c.....	\$154 50
Mileage of Delegates from P. Synod of Chicago.	190 00
Traveling expenses of the Delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church.....	50 00
Sexton's bill, &c., meeting of June, 1862.....	48 30
Printing the Minutes, and interest.....	298 31
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At the last meeting correspondence was opened with the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, N. S., and with the General Synod of the German Reformed Church : this may pave the way for an interchange of Delegates with other ecclesiastical bodies; but all such acts of Christian fraternity involve expense. The Delegates from the West to this body can claim \$372 instead of \$190 as above. Committees, &c., must also be paid, and hence, according to present arrangements, the average annual obligations of the General Synod, under this head, will fully reach \$1,000.

2. Those connected with the management of the funds. Here we include,

The Salary of the Treasurer.....	\$600 00
Postage, discount, &c.....	21 40
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	\$621 40

Under this head must be charged all items which may arise from the care, security, or efforts to increase the funds entrusted to the Board of Direction of the Corporation.

3. Those arising from the support of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick. The most of them are directly associated with Hertzog Hall, viz :

Salaries of the three Professors.....	\$5,400 00
House rent of the third Professor.....	300 00
Insurance on Hertzog Hall, Library, &c.....	156 79
Salary of Janitor, and Fuel.....	120 00
Clerk of the Board of Superintendents.....	25 00
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	\$6,001 79

So far the account of June, 1863, but, in providing for future contingencies, there must be added the following estimates :

Traveling expenses of Board of Superintendents, now unjustly charged to the Classes.....	\$125 00
Cost of removing Professors to New Brunswick, and of erecting Monuments to those who may have deceased in the service of Synod.....	123 21
Annual cost of keeping Hertzog Hall and grounds in repair, over the estimated income from room-rents, &c.....	250 00
Preservation of Library, and Salary of the Librarian.....	100 00
Total.....	<u>\$6,600 00</u>

As no provision has been made in the above figures for the increase of the Library, any amount not likely to be needed from year to year should be thus appropriated.

But the General Synod has purchased, and yet holds, the Rutgers College property for the benefit of the Theological Seminary. The two wings are occupied as professoral residences, and the main building, until 1856, was used as a Theological Hall. Legally and practically all the whole charge of said property falls upon the Treasury. For the year ending June, 1863, the outlay was small, but for the year ending April 30, 1864, the items amount to \$2,671 53. Taking year by year, the average expense of Rutgers College (grounds and buildings) cannot be rated at less than \$400. Thus, the total for the support of the Theological Seminary, according to the above calculation, is \$7,000 per annum.

4. Those which cannot be classified, and which seem to have been accidentally assumed. Under this head are only two items of small amount:

Insurance of Holland Academy, over the means provided.....	\$22 50
Insurance of Parsonage at Alexandria Bay....	3 15
	<u>\$25 65</u>

Respecting the expenses of General Synod, as just detailed, your Committee would remark,

(1) That the term "Contingent Expenses" can only be applied to those enumerated under paragraph 1. The phrase is so used and understood by contemporary Synods and Assemblies, and was so employed in this body before 1834. Let it be so defined for the future in our Minutes.

(2) Said expenses cannot be materially diminished. The only item which even a rigid economy would strike from the list, is that giving \$372, if called for, to the Delegates from the Particular Synod of Chicago. Just as this appropriation may be, it should not perhaps

be continued while the Treasury is so much embarrassed, especially since no assessment is now made upon that Synod.

(3) Since they cannot be diminished, and are necessary to the well-being of the Church, they must be faithfully and punctually discharged. No friend of the Reformed Dutch Church will ever wish to see its just obligations fail. The Church of Christ, in honesty, must not be shamed by the "children of the world." If the Classes are dissatisfied with past arrangements for the relief of the Treasury, it behoves them heartily to join in some new measure that will secure a sufficient revenue. Surely they cannot refuse to do so plain a duty!

(4) The Synod must be warned not to increase its expenditures; to take no further obligations, at least for the present, except from absolute necessity. It will call forth all their energy to provide ways and means for those already assumed.

HOW THE EXPENSES SHALL BE MET.

1. The Contingent Expenses.—The Minutes of the General Synod have hitherto been printed, and sold at a designated price. No better plan can be substituted; but, inasmuch as the Stated Clerk has sole charge of this department, the account should be transferred to him from the Treasurer. He can more easily and promptly collect his bills and report this item for the "Annual Digest," with a probable regular balance in the Synod's favor. All other expenses connected with the meetings and business of this body, and for the payment of its delegates, &c., should, of right, and according to the usual practice of ecclesiastical assemblies, fall as an assessment or apportionment upon the Particular Synods, to be by them divided among the Classes. This principle has already been recommended, and may be fixed as the future policy of the General Synod. It follows, that no Permanent Contingent Fund should be accumulated.

2. The Expense of Managing the Funds.—It is a commercial maxim, that vested funds shall pay for their management. Why should not the Board of Direction adopt this principle? Then the Treasurer's salary will be divided *pro rata*, and be taken from the income of the various funds entrusted to his care. In like manner, the incidentals of said Board and losses, from whatever cause, should be charged to the income of that fund to which they appropriately belong. By this just arrangement, both the Widows' Fund and the Permanent Fund will be somewhat relieved.

3. The Expenses of the Theological Seminary.—All the exercises of said Seminary are now transferred to Hertzog Hall, and with them, the corresponding charges for the same upon the Treasury. Except the two wings, used as professoral residences, the whole property, known as Rutgers College, is occupied, free of charge, by the Board of Trustees, in whom vests the charter of that literary institu-

tion ; while all the outlay for repairs, &c , still continues to fall upon the Synod, and is a heavy burden upon the funds of the Church. As has already been stated, the Treasurer has paid, on that single account, during the last year, the sum of \$2,671 53. Is it not time to cease an unjustifiable liberality ? Should not the Synod husband all its resources ? The property thus given up to the free occupancy of the Trustees, is valuable, and they can afford to pay for its use a valuable consideration. It may safely be affirmed that the original cost alone, without regard to the thousands of dollars since added for improvements, would have erected three ample professoral residences, and have funded an amount sufficient to keep them in repair. Your Committee feel, therefore, that the Rutgers College lot and building should be a source of profit, and not an expense to the Treasury. It is recommended that they be reconveyed to the Board of Trustees on equitable terms and under sufficient guarantees, or that they be leased for a term of years, and for a rent which will cover insurance, repairs, &c., and also add some adequate amount to the revenues of the Synod.

Apart from Rutgers College, and what may be justly expected from its lease or sale, the expense of the Theological School, according to previous calculations, cannot be less than \$6,100 per annum. To meet this demand, there has been provided a Permanent Fund, which was raised and invested for the support of the Seminary at New Brunswick, and for no other purpose whatever (excepting the sum of \$5,100 for Rutgers College, and of \$600 for Holland Academy). Let said fund be solely and wholly used for the designated purpose. It is sometimes called the Professoral Fund, but the Professors have no more just claim upon its income than the Hall, the Janitor, the Librarian, or the Board of Superintendents. It is not the "Professoral" but the "Theological Seminary Fund" of our Church. In proof of this, reference may be made to the Minutes of the General Synod for June, 1835, pages 341 and 423. In the Digest of 1863, the Permanent Fund is given as \$91,480. Deducting the \$5700 above excepted, and there remains for the Seminary the sum of \$85,780. For the future, it will not be safe to calculate on more than six per cent., per annum, for moneys safely invested. Hence, this \$85,780 will yield an income of nearly \$5200. Allowing, of this, \$300 for the management, and there remains for professors' salaries, &c., the sum of \$4,900. For the year ending April 30th, 1864, the total income was \$5,218 22. It will be seen, therefore, that the annual deficiency cannot be less than \$1,200, or the interest of \$20,000.

What remains but to add, as speedily as possible, \$20,000 to the Permanent Fund. This measure cannot but meet the approbation and hearty coöperation of the Classes. But how shall it be raised ? No committee or agent can do it so well as the Classes themselves. Let said amount be carefully and equitably divided among them, not as an assessment, but as an apportionment of what may justly be

expected from each, and let them at once adopt active measures for securing the same, by any mode which seems most practicable. It is earnestly hoped that the wealthy members of the Church will everywhere contribute to so noble a charity.

Meanwhile, the present plan of assessment must continue until the \$20,000 be secured. The Synod can claim no right of taxation for the Seminary, but it asks the Classes and the Churches to acquiesce in it, for a season, as a matter of necessity and expediency. The Treasury must not be left to insolvency. But any Classis paying in its quota of the fund to be raised, will of course be released from further apportionments for the Theological School.

If no arrangement can be made with the Trustees of Rutgers College, and if that property remain in its present status, the Permanent Fund must be proportionally increased—increased by the additional sum of \$15,000. It is for the Synod to say whether this shall be done.

Interest has been calculated at six per cent. The future rate may be higher, but any increased incomes from that source can be wisely appropriated to a course of lectures, in the Seminary, on Sacred Rhetoric, &c., or be suffered to accumulate for the establishment of a fourth professorship.

4. The Anomalous Expenses.—The Board of Direction has indeed received a title for Holland Academy, and that institution is to be cherished as a child of the Church; and yet the General Synod has not assumed, and cannot assume, any obligations in its behalf beyond the funds raised for that purpose. No other safe principle can be adopted. The Academy has \$600 only invested. Beyond the means thus provided (\$42 per annum), or hereafter to be provided, the Corporation may not appropriate a single dollar on that account, even for insurance or repair.

The Parsonage at Alexandria Bay is simply held for the Board of Domestic Missions. Let that Board bear its expenses. This is a small matter, but it involves a principle, which, if not now decided, may at any time plunge the Treasury into serious and unexpected embarrassments.

RESOLUTIONS.

1. *Resolved*, That, for the time being, the whole estimated deficiency of the Synod's income be apportioned to the Particular Synods of New York and Albany, according to the present ratio.

2. *Resolved*, That the salary of the Treasurer be paid, *pro rata*, from the income of the several funds entrusted to his care, and that all the other expenses of the Board of Direction be charged to their appropriate funds.

3. *Resolved*, That the income of the Permanent Fund (except as already excepted) be devoted to the support of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, and that said fund be increased by the full sum of \$20,000.

4. *Resolved*, That a Committee of three persons from each Particular Synod be appointed, who shall, during the present session, justly and fairly apportion said \$20,000 among the several Classes, and prepare a circular letter, in the name of the Synod, explaining its action, and urging a speedy effort to secure the amount thus apportioned.

5. *Resolved*, That the accounts for the Minutes of the General Synod be transferred from the Treasurer to the Stated Clerk, and that he furnish the usual item on that subject, for the "Annual Digest."

6. *Resolved*, That it be the fixed policy of this Synod to apportion or assess its contingent expenses (except for the Minutes), upon the Particular Synods, and that no further efforts be made to accumulate a "Permanent Contingent Fund."

7. *Resolved*, That any expenses in behalf of the Parsonage at Alexandria Bay, be charged to the Board of Domestic Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

C. SCOTT, *Chairman*.

The following Committee was appointed to make the apportionment ordered by Resolution 4 of the above Report, and prepare a circular letter to the Classes: Rev. J. B. Alliger, B. F. Romaine, and Elder Alfred Drury, of the Particular Synod of New York; Rev. Wm. E. Turner, C. S. Mead, and Elder N. F. Vischer, of the Particular Synod of Albany.

The Committee reported in part as follows, and was discharged:

The Special Committee appointed to assess the sum of \$20,000 upon the Particular Synods of New York and Albany, to increase the Permanent Fund, respectfully report:

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF ALBANY.

Classes of Albany.....	\$933 24
Cayuga.....	366 63
Geneva.....	433 20
Kingston.....	599 94
Green.....	499 94
Montgomery.....	333 30
Orange.....	966 57
Rensselaer.....	766 59
Saratoga.....	433 29
Schenectady.....	466 62
Schoharie.....	233 31
Ulster.....	633 27
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	\$6,666 00

PARTICULAR SYNOD OF NEW YORK.

Classis of New York.....	\$2,518 00
South New York.....	742 00
New Brunswick.....	700 00
Raritan.....	660 00
Bergen.....	620 00
South Bergen.....	1,066 00
Passaic.....	595 00
Paramus.....	888 00
North Long Island.....	960 00
South Long Island.....	1,280 00
Poughkeepsie.....	741 00
Philadelphia.....	888 00
Hudson.....	670 00
Westchester.....	525 00
Monmouth.....	480 00
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	\$13,334 00

The Committee has not apportioned any part of said sum upon the Particular Synod of Chicago, but recommend that the Classes in said Synod order collections for the Permanent Fund in their Churches.

Respectfully submitted.

J. B. ALLIGER, *Chairman.*

The Committee on the Professorate presented the following Report which was accepted, amended, and adopted :

The Committee on the Professorate beg leave to report that they have examined the papers placed in their hands. These were a letter from Mr. P. R. Warner, of the Board of Direction, and one from Mr. John Van Nest, of the same Board, expressing their wishes not to be placed in nomination again for a reelection.

The Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, the Report of the Board of Direction, accompanied by the Treasurer's Report, the Annual Digest of the Funds and lists of Securities, Endowed Scholarships, Education Fund Income Account, statements of the Van Rensselaer and Knox Funds from Treasurer of Rutgers College, together with several communications on the matter. On these several papers they submit as follows :

I. On the letters declining to be recommended to seats in the Board of Corporation, from Messrs. Warner and Van Nest, your Committee, inasmuch as no reason is assigned to sustain the wish expressed, and on account of the value of the services which those

members are so amply qualified to render, recommend to the Synod that their names again be placed on nomination for reelection.

II. On the Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary.—This document presents no subject requiring action on the part of the Synod. Its details being published in the Minutes, it is not necessary to do more than to refer to the record. Your Committee cannot refrain from congratulating the Synod on the general prosperity with which the Seminary has been blessed during the past year through God's great goodness.

III. On the Report of the Board of Direction.—The Treasurer (Mr. John I. Brower's) Account having been examined by an auditing committee, was found to be correct. It states a balance on hand amounting to \$9,210 66 carried to new account.

The Board of Direction state in their Report, that "the interest received from the Permanent Professoral Fund has not been sufficient to pay the salaries of the Professors by about four hundred (400) dollars: and the advances made to meet the expenses of the Synod amount to \$1,482. Both justice and necessity require that this amount should be refunded at an early day."

It thus appears that the income necessary to pay the Professors' salaries is deficient by the amount of \$400. It appears also, from an entry in the Treasurer's account, under date of 15th March last, that an amount of \$200 was paid to each of the Theological Professors, making \$600 in all, it being derived from the special contribution of a few friends in the Collegiate Church. In addition to these statements your Committee have to mention, that a communication from Professor De Witt, addressed to the Synod and referred to your Committee, sets forth that the amount of \$300 named in his call to the Professoral Chair as an allowance for house-rent, proves to be inadequate in the sum of \$200, and the Professor asks of the Synod the addition of that sum to the original amount, so as to make his allowance for rent to be \$500 per year.

The facts thus stated have their origin in the exigencies of the times. The honor and the good faith of the Church require that the advances made by the Board of Direction shall be promptly repaid. And while your Committee gratefully regard the liberality of those friends in the Collegiate Church who enabled the Treasurer to make a needed although slight addition to the Professors' salaries, the honor and the faith of the Church, in their judgment must not allow a recurrence of a condition of things which shall make it necessary that such items should again be found in our Treasurer's Report. Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That Professor De Witt's request be granted, and that \$200 per year, be added temporarily to the sum of \$300 allowed to him for rent.

2. *Whereas*, The salaries of the Professors in our Theological Seminary are seriously diminished by the present depreciation in the value of our currency—which deficiency the Synod should in fairness supplement—and *whereas*, the income from the Permanent Funds is not sufficient to provide for any increase of their salaries, therefore,

Resolved, That a Committee of three be appointed by this Synod, whose duty it shall be to raise, in any way which their judgment shall approve, a sum not less than \$1,500, to be equally divided among the three Professors in the Seminary, for the current year.

The Board of Direction report the receipt of a deed of Jerome A. Davenport and Julia A. Davenport his wife, conveying certain Church property at Eden, Ford-du-Lac county, Wisconsin, to the General Synod, and asking for instruction. Your Committee recommend to the Synod the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Board of Direction be instructed and authorized to accept this conveyance, and to take whatever steps may be necessary to enter into possession, to hold the property until it may be satisfactorily disposed of by sale, grant, or otherwise, for the purposes of a Reformed Dutch Church, the Board of Direction to make such disposition of it by and with the counsel of the Board of Direction, and that the expenses necessarily incurred through acceptance of this conveyance, shall be defrayed out of the funds of the Board of Missions, chargeable to the Church Extension account.

Your Committee take pleasure in stating to this Synod, that the several accounts, lists of securities, and other financial papers, show very conclusively that the money interests of the Church are managed with great prudence and ability. We suggest, however, in this connection, that the Treasurer of Rutgers College be requested to have his future statement of accounts to be rendered with the report of an auditing committee attached. Your Committee recommend here a resolution, that the Synod notices with satisfaction the carefulness and fidelity of the management of its financial trusts.

IV. On the reference respecting an increase of funds, from the Particular Synod of Albany.—At the recent session of that body, it was resolved “most respectfully yet earnestly to urge upon the General Synod, the inauguration of an earnest effort for such an increase of the Permanent Funds of the Church as shall meet all necessary expenditures for our educational institution at New Brunswick, leaving only such amounts to be raised by assessments upon our Churches as may be required for the contingent expenses, properly so termed, of our several ecclesiastical bodies.”

Upon this reference, and upon a similar one from the Classis of Raritan, no action is necessary, for the reason that the General Synod, in the adoption of a plan whereby it is expected that the sum of \$20,000 will be added to the Permanent Fund, has anticipated the above recommendation.

V. On the application of the Superintendents of Holland Academy for action of this Synod to enable them to obtain a College charter. —The Board of Superintendents of the Holland Academy present to the Synod a written request "to donate to the Board of Trustees of the College which it is proposed to establish, the sum of thirty thousand (\$30,000) dollars out of the fund which may be procured for endowment of the institution, in order that the legal steps may be taken for the securing of a College charter." Your Committee preface the resolution which they recommend for adoption, with an explanatory statement. Under the relation now maintained between the Synod and the Academy above named, the Board of Superintendents of the latter are authorized to raise, for endowment of the institution, the sum of thirty thousand or more dollars. And the endowment funds, in whatever amount which may be raised, are to be deposited in the hands of the Board of Direction of the General Synod for safe keeping and proper investment. This deposit is in the nature of a trust, inasmuch as the income to be derived from its investment must be used exclusively for the benefit of the Academy, when it shall have passed into its proposed collegial existence; a trust, however, accompanied by the right which vests in the Synod of electing the Trustees of the institution.

The laws of the State of Michigan provide that any number of persons, not less than five (5), may become a corporation for founding a College; that to found a College, the amount of thirty thousand (\$30,000) dollars shall be in good faith subscribed or given; that when twenty (20) per cent. on 30,000 dollars be actually paid in, such persons may proceed to elect trustees for such College; that such trustees shall severally subscribe articles of association, setting forth the amount subscribed, name, objects, location, and other details specified in the law; that said articles of association shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of State, with an affidavit annexed, made by at least three (3) of such trustees, that the amount required by law has been in good faith subscribed, and that twenty per cent. thereon has been paid in; and that, upon the filing of such authenticated papers, the corporation shall have existence, and be invested with all the necessary and legal powers belonging thereto. Legal advice from within the State of Michigan sets it forth that the measure to be now recommended to the Synod will satisfactorily meet the demands both of the relation between the Synod and Holland Academy, and of the laws of this State.

Your Committee recommend the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in order to enable the Board of Superintendents of the Holland Academy to obtain a College charter, under the law of the State of Michigan, when they shall have obtained subscriptions in good faith to the amount of \$30,000, with twenty per cent. thereon paid in to the Board of Direction, they shall receive from the Board of Direction a proper instrument, donating to them the said subscribed amount of \$30,000. And, that by this act of the General

Synod, the Board of Direction is instructed and empowered to prepare and deliver such instrument. Provided, however, that the said instrument shall contain covenants and conditions between the Board of Superintendents of the Holland Academy and the General Synod, that all the rights and interests of the General Synod, as acknowledged in the existing relations between them, shall be and remain undisturbed.

VI. On the Theological Professorship of Missionary Training.—The Board of Superintendents of Holland Academy submitted to the Synod of Chicago, at its recent session, their views of Education at the West. Among their suggestions they laid particular stress upon “establishing at once a Theological Professorship of Missionary training” at their institution. The Synod adopted the following resolution:

“*Resolved*, That the General Synod be requested, at its next meeting, to appoint a Theological Professor of Missionary training.”

Upon this matter, your Committee recommend that the Synod take no action at this session, deeming the present time and circumstances to be unfavorable to proceeding with so important a movement.

VII. On the Scudder Monument.—A communication from Mr. Thomas C. Doremus declining certain duties with reference to the above has been placed in our hands. The Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary stated in their report to the last Synod, that the site of the Scudder Monument in the grounds of Hertzog Hall is not well chosen, and asked for its removal. Upon this, the Synod adopted a resolution authorizing the former Committee, who located the monument where it now stands, to effect its change to some more appropriate place. The Committee so authorized have taken no action, and Mr. Doremus, its chairman, now declines, upon the consideration that he has no time for the work proposed. Your Committee recommend acceptance of Mr. Doremus's resignation, and also the following Resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Hertzog Hall be requested and authorized, on behalf of this Synod, as soon as it may be done, to remove the Monument to some position to be selected by themselves, soliciting from the Church the funds which may be necessary for the proper completion of the work.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. FISHER, *Chairman*.

Rev. E. P. Rogers, J. W. Schenck, and Elder James Myers were appointed the Committee to raise funds for the increase of the salaries of the Professors for the current year.

ARTICLE XV.

STUDENTS IN THEOLOGY.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVI.

CHURCH VISITATION.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVII.

PREVAILING SINS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVIII.

MISSIONS.

The Thirty-second Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was received, read, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions, with the exception of report of vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions was received and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Thirty-second Annual Report of the Board of Domestic Missions was presented, read, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions, with the exception of report of vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions was received and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on Foreign Missions respectfully report, that they have examined the Thirty-second Annual Report of that Board.

That date indicates the length of time in which our Church has been seriously engaged in fulfilling the Saviour's last command, "Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," and the results of the past year, compared with the small things of that early day, reveal the great extent to which our denomination has imbibed the spirit of Missions.

The Lord has blessed the labors of our Missionaries with continued and increased success. From the Arcot Mission we have the cheering assurance—"Never were those (our) labors so successful as they are now, and never has our prospect been so hopeful and cheering as at present." The additions to the Churches on confession of faith are 46 against 21—comparing the past with the preceding year—or more than double. From the Amoy Mission we learn that the work of grace, with which it has been so long favored, continues. There have been 38 communicant members received on confession of their faith—the same number as that of last year. Two native pastors have been ordained: twelve instead of seven native preachers are employed. While the Mission has been called to mourn the untimely death of that most estimable lady, Miss Caroline Adrianca. The Japan Mission has been signally preserved by Divine Providence amid the political convulsions of that land; and a wide and effectual door of usefulness has been opened before them, among thousands of seamen of all nations at the harbor of Yokohama. So that God, by His providence is calling aloud to our Church to arise and gather the vast harvest of perishing souls in these immense fields.

While our Missionaries have been successful abroad, our Treasury at home has received from the Churches, in contributions to this cause, even a larger sum than during the year preceding, namely \$21,686 35 as compared with \$20,742 62, and that has been done in the midst of this gigantic war waged against rebellion, and the enormous sums demanded for our armies. Still, only 286 out of 422 Churches have contributed to this object, showing that all our congregations have not come up to the work, and that our resources are far from being exhausted. The extraordinary high rates of exchange have subjected the Board to a loss of \$11,698 51, leaving it burdened with a debt of \$10,000, for the payment of which this Synod is urgently implored to make provision. In answer to this appeal, we beseech those Churches who have done nothing to come to our help. We suggest to the remainder, that they make a special effort, at their next stated collection. And to all we recommend an increase of their offerings according to the times, the abundance of money, and the dear rates of exchange—the only course that can save the Board from embarrassment. We also invoke the aid of our wealthy members to cancel that debt by the 1st of July—towards which two persons have given \$2,000, with the expectation that the balance will be liquidated by that date. Besides, is it not a reproach to our denomination, that young men from our Theological Seminary, have been waiting to be sent to the heathen world, but have been denied for the want of funds, which our people have had the ability to give! Oh, let us hasten to retrieve this omission, that the disastrous effect of this state of things may not dampen the Missionary ardor of our pious young men in the College and Seminary.

It is a cause of great gratification that \$3,352 23 have been contributed by our Sunday school's, a gain also over the amount derived

from this source last year. It is a matter of the highest importance to the future welfare of our Church, to train up the rising generation in habits of benevolence, and therefore, we would encourage parents, superintendents, and Sunday school teachers, to the utmost of our power, to perseverance and zeal in this wise and laudable endeavor.

It should be understood that the *Missionary Recorder*, the organ of this Board, so far from being a source of income, is a heavy charge, as it required \$936 92 to pay arrearages on 8,000 copies circulated, owing to the high price of paper. In order that our people may be thoroughly interested in the Missionary operations of our Board, the intelligence that periodical contains ought to be spread before every family in our connection. We are of opinion that the failure in contributions will be found to go hand in hand with the neglect to subscribe for and read this paper.

The following resolutions, accordingly, are recommended for adoption :

1. *Resolved*, That the Report of this Board be published, bound up with the Minutes of the Synod, and circulated through our Church.

2. *Resolved*, That Pastors and Consistories be requested to exert themselves to place the *Missionary Recorder* in every family.

3. *Resolved*, That all our church members be respectfully urged to coöperate with the Secretary of this Board to extinguish its debt immediately.

4. *Resolved*, That the first week in January, 1865, be solemnly observed as a season of prayer for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the world, as the grand agent of its conversion to God.

5. *Resolved*, That we heartily endorse and commend the policy of enlisting Sunday school scholars in systematic benevolence.

The proposal of the Synod of Chicago, with the approbation and sanction of the General Synod, to found and endow a Theological Professorship of Missionary training, in connection with the projected Holland College, has been before the Committee on Foreign Missions, and, in reference to it, your Committee respectfully make the following report :

The boldness and originality of the scheme betoken an enterprise and ardor in the extension of Christ's kingdom which we cannot but admire ; and the determination of the members of that branch of our Church to act according to the motto, "attempt great things and expect great things." The design entertained of converting the whole of the Synod of Chicago into one grand Missionary society, does not exceed the model of the primitive Christian Church, nor surpass the wants of our dying world. And if the method suggested to carry out this noble aim be practicable, within the scope of the Constitution of our Church, and its pecuniary means and resources, it

appears to us, that the least that this Synod can do, is to grant them permission to make the endeavor, and to bid them God speed! The originators of this novel undertaking say—"The great work of the Church, at all times, is its Missionary work; and we desire to see a Missionary character given to our institutions, by founding the first Professorship in the new Theological Seminary as that of Missionary Training; afterward, according to need and opportunity, the usual departments to be added, namely, Biblical Literature, Didactic and Polemic Theology, and Pastoral Theology with Church Government. It would be the duty of the Theological Professor of Missionary Training to open and maintain a correspondence with the leading evangelical Missionary societies of the world; to give suitable training to Missionary colonists; to impart instruction to each senior class of the future Seminary, in such facts and principles as would afford an intelligent view of the Christian work in general, and as might serve to prepare for some particular locality; and to maintain a direct correspondence with the Missionaries from our western field."

All this is well, for, if the Synod of Chicago can enlist, educate, send forth, and support a large number of her pious young men in the Foreign Missionary field, we are sure that the eastern portion of our Church will rejoice, and be provoked to good works by so bright an example. Yet, with a debt of \$10,000 resting on our Board of Foreign Missions; with two graduates of our Theological Seminary, and two returned Missionaries waiting, on account of the want of money, to be sent abroad; and the prospective difficulty of sustaining the Missionaries now in the field during the coming year, owing to the excessively high rates of foreign exchange, we do not see from whence the funds are to come to inaugurate those enlarged plans and operations at the present time. Still, we do not think it wise or right to ignore the scheme, but to keep it in view as an end to be attained at some future day, when God in his providence shall open the door for its consummation. We have no doubt that the period will come, and it may not be very distant, when God shall so multiply the demands on our Church for Foreign Missionaries, that we shall need all the men that this means can furnish, in addition to all that the educational facilities at New Brunswick can supply. We are, therefore, clearly of the opinion, that this Synod ought to foster this design, as fast as the pecuniary means can be obtained, and the whole matter accomplished without crippling institutions now in existence, and without injuring Missions already established.

Your Committee therefore report the following resolutions for adoption:

Resolved, That the plan recommended by the Particular Synod of Chicago, of establishing a Professorship of Missionary Training in the projected Theological Seminary of Holland, be approved as an agency that would contribute greatly to the diffusion of a Missionary spirit

in the western portion of our Church, and to the upbuilding of our Redeemer's kingdom.

Resolved, That we regard, with pleasure and devout thanksgiving to Almighty God, the determination of the Missionary Committees of the Classes of Holland and Wisconsin to build a Missionary ship, whose port of departure shall always be Black Lake, Michigan, and that we commend this benevolent enterprise to our congregations for their free-will offerings, as another potent auxiliary for the publication of the Gospel in foreign lands.

Respectfully submitted in behalf of the Committee,

JOHN F. MESICK, *Chairman*.

A Special Report of the Board of Foreign Missions on the ecclesiastical relations of the Amoy Mission, accompanied by a letter from the Mission, letters from the Missionaries Messrs. Doty, Rapelje, Kip, and Blauvelt, and a pamphlet by Rev. J. V. N. Talmage, was received and referred to a Special Committee, consisting of Rev. T. E. Vermilye, G. H. Mandeville, P. Van Wyck; Elders, S. P. York, Jacob Settle.

A Minute on the same subject was received from the Classis of Albany, which was referred to the same Committee.

The Committee presented their Report: the minority also presented a Report.

The following was adopted as a substitute for the resolutions in the Report of the minority:

Resolved, That while the General Synod does not deem it necessary or proper to change the Missionary policy defined and adopted in 1857, yet, in consideration of the peculiar circumstances of the Mission of Amoy, the brethren there are allowed to defer the formation of a Classis of Amoy, until, in their judgment, such a measure is required by the wants and desires of the Churches gathered by them from among the heathen.

The remainder of the Report of the minority was laid upon the table. The Report of the majority was laid upon the table.

Resolved, unanimously, That the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions be directed to transmit to Rev. Dr. Hamilton, Convener of the Missionary Committee of the English Presbyterian Church, the present action of the Synod concerning the Amoy Mission, and to make a fitting recognition of the valuable help which our Mission has received from that Committee.

Resolved, That Rev. John Forsyth, who expects to visit Egypt during next winter, be requested, if convenient, to visit the Missions of Arcot and Amoy.

Resolved, That in view of the Statement from the Board of Foreign Missions, that there is a debt of \$10,000 on that Board, every pastor and elder in the Synod express a solemn obligation, by his vote, to do all in his power, in his Church and in his Classis, towards raising this sum before the 1st of July.

Resolved, That in view of the need of the Board of Foreign Missions for the year upon which we have entered, in consequence of the increased rate of exchange, it will be necessary that the Churches, besides extinguishing the present debt, should add at least fifty per cent to their gifts for the past year, and the Synod earnestly urge their Churches to increase their contributions accordingly, and forward collections, as speedily as practicable, to the Treasurer of the Board.

The Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted

The Committee on Domestic Missions respectfully report :

An unprecedented prosperity in this department of the benevolent operations of our Church. The collections in its behalf have reached a sum never before equalled in the history of the Board. The number of Churches that have contributed during the year, is two hundred and seventy-three—an increase of nearly a score over that of the former year. And although applications for aid have been more numerous than in the past, and, in some instances, appropriations to feeble Churches have been doubled, while new and inviting fields have been entered and occupied, yet is there money in the Treasury wherewith to begin the work of another year. And God has given increase, for the excess of persons received into the membership of Churches assisted by the Board, over the number of the preceding year, is more than a hundred.

The secret of this prosperity is clearly disclosed in the confession of the Board, that it has taken counsel, "*less of its fears than of the Divine promise,*" and has gone forward as Providence opened the way, with reliance upon God, "whose are the silver and the gold, and in whose hand are the hearts of all." "Them that honor me I will honor." And now the Church must feel the full force of a definite, and, in a sense, new motive in her Domestic Missionary work. Gratitude may influence groveling souls less powerfully than necessity, but they who properly delight themselves in the goodness of the Lord, will find, in an overflowing treasury, a mightier incentive to more energetic effort and larger liberality than could be inspired by a burdensome or crushing debt. The voice from heaven—which,

as the Report of the Board declares, "speaks to us in louder tones than ever, 'rise up and build!'"—should reach and stir the whole Church.

Your Committee would therefore submit the following :

Resolved, That this Synod, while tendering its congratulations to the Board and its efficient Secretary, on the work of the past year, and fervently responding to their thanksgiving to Almighty God for his favor vouchsafed to them, would earnestly bespeak for the cause of Domestic Missions the importunate prayers and large liberality of all the Churches.

The claims of the

CHURCH BUILDING FUND

Are energetically pressed in the Report of the Board. The importance of this agency in itself and in its relations to our Domestic Missionary work, is thus concisely stated: "There can be no rapidity or permanence in our Church extension at the West, or in other spiritually destitute localities, unless the Building Fund is vigorously sustained. The total amount of the Fund, April 30, 1864, is \$7,415 10.

The amount raised during the year by collections and individual donations has been \$2,799 26. Only forty-eight Churches, nineteen less than last year, seem to have made any effort in its behalf. And yet, with this very moderate sum, the Board has been enabled to loan \$1,379 03 to the Church of South Bend, Indiana, and make arrangements for the relief of the First Church of Hoboken from a debt under which it must otherwise have perished.

Several congregations are now anxiously waiting for favorable responses to their applications for aid, and the very existence of some of our Missions will be imperilled unless the sum of \$3,500 finds its way into the treasury at an early day."

Can these facts and considerations fail to impress the Church with the importance of this instrumentality, or to secure prompt and liberal action in its behalf?

Your Committee would submit for adoption the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That, in the opinion of this Synod, the interests of our denomination, and the glory of the Redeemer in our Domestic Missionary operations, demand a large increase of our Church Building Fund.

2. *Resolved*, That we invite the attention of the Classes, Pastors, and Consistories to this subject, and earnestly exhort them to secure from their respective Churches an annual collection for this Fund.

In view of the frequent waste of money in the erection of church edifices, through incompleteness or defects of plans, and the inexperience of building committees, your Committee would suggest that economy, convenience, and beauty in the places of worship, and the

comfort of the Churches would be subserved by such directions and co-operation as the Board are entitled to give with the aid furnished.

Without recommending any definite Synodical action upon the matter, your Committee, nevertheless, in the name of the Synod, would bring to the careful notice and consideration of the Board and its Secretary the following preamble and resolutions, adopted by the last Synod of Chicago, and referred to us :

"Whereas it is desirable that the operations of our Church, in extending its growth at the West, be conducted in the most earnest and efficient manner, especially at the present opportunity, therefore,

"Resolved, That this Synod respectfully suggest to the Board of Domestic Missions the following method, as, in our view, best calculated to promote the end :

"Let the Board at once select and appoint at least four or five Missionaries, partly from those who have already had some experience in the ministry, to be sent out in company to neighboring places in some portion of the West, as yet unoccupied by our Church, but adjoining the present Classes, the distinct duty of such Missionaries being to establish a new Classis as soon as three Churches may have been organized.

"Whenever suitable men for such work shall have been secured, let them be publicly set apart to the Missions, with appropriate services, under the conduct of the Board of Domestic Missions, in some Church in New York or New Brunswick.

"Resolved, That in our judgment an annual official visit to the West, by the Corresponding Secretary of the Board of Domestic Missions, would be so beneficial to all the interests involved, as fully to justify the needful time and expenditure."

The policy adopted by the Board with reference to

SABBATH SCHOOLS,

when this important interest of the Church was committed to their care, is still pursued.

Under the direction of Missionaries, fourteen new schools have been established during the year, and some which had declined have been revived. The Board controls the character of the literature and the text books employed, and the doctrines inculcated in them, and fosters these organizations with the hope that many of them may grow up into Churches of our order.

The following paper, from the Report of the Board of Direction, has been referred to your Committee :

"A bequest of Catharine Acker, amounting to \$300, for the support of colporteurs employed by the Sabbath school Union of the Reformed Dutch Church has also been received, and, as the said Board has been abolished, the disposal of the money requires the action of the General Synod."

The following resolution seems to be required :

Resolved, That the Synod instruct the Board of Direction to pay the amount of the above bequest to the Treasurer of the Domestic Board, to be expended according to the intention of the donor.

The resolutions adopted by the Board of Domestic Missions, expressive of the sorrow and sense of loss which the decease of Mr. Louis J. Belloni, its late Treasurer, has occasioned, and setting forth the high estimation in which his character and services were held must receive the sincere and tender endorsement of the Synod.

The sudden death of this brother beloved, while yet in the full vigor of mature manhood, and the early departure of the "faithful and successful Missionary Pastor, Josiah Jansen," should quicken our efforts for Christ and souls, by their forcible illustration that "the night cometh in which no man can work."

We append the

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF OPERATIONS AND RESULTS.

	1863.	1864.
Churches and Missions aided.....	70	72
" " " at the East.....	50	50
" " " at the West.....	20	22
Missionaries and Missionary Pastors.....	58	59
" " " at the East. .	39	40
" " " at the West..	19	19
Churches become self-sustaining.....	3	5
New Churches organized.....	5	4
New houses of worship completed and entered...	4	4
" " in process of construction	2	4
Persons received to Church membership.....	502	609
" " on Confession of Faith.....	343	424
" " by Certificate.....	159	185
Number of members in Mission Churches.....	4,301	4,205
" Families.....	3,167	3,430
" Schools.....	78	86
" Scholars.....	5,340	5,840
Contributed by Mission Churches to	1863.	1864.
Domestic Missions.....	\$473 00	\$780 98
Contributed by Mission Churches to		
other benevolent objects.....	819 42	2,615 80
Receipts of Treasury.....	15,580 26	21,437 62
" City Missionary Society..	1,853 50	2,230 25

Respectfully submitted,

JOACHIM ELMENDORF, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Nominations having reported, the Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Foreign Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Revs. Thomas De Witt, D. D. Demarest, C. L. Wells, H. D. Ganse, A. R. Thompson; Messrs. A. J. Beekman, E. A. Hayt, and William F. Van Wagenen.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, the Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Domestic Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Revs. R. W. Clark, G. H. Mandeville, P. D. Van Cleef, Peter Stryker, J. M. See; Messrs. S. B. Schieffelin, A. J. Beckman, and W. B. Crosby.

ARTICLE XIX.

WIDOWS' AND DISABLED MINISTERS' FUNDS.

Reports were received from Revs. Alexander McKelvy, agent for the Widows' Fund in the Classis of Paramus, and Rev. John L. Chapman, agent in the South Classis of Bergen, which were referred to the Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds.

The Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds presented the following Report which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds respectfully report:

The papers referred to your Committee are the Widows' Fund Account, Widows' Fund Income Account, list of Subscribers to the Widows' Fund, Reports from the Agents for the Widows' Fund in the Classis of Paramus and the South Classis of Bergen, and the Disabled Ministers' Fund.

The examination of these documents show that there are fifty-two subscribers to the Widows' Fund, and ten ministers are interested in the Fund by donations from Churches. That the Fund has increased during the year from \$19,089 38 to \$20,539 28, and is now larger than it has ever been before. It is also extremely gratifying to notice the increased interest in the Fund exhibited by the Churches, the amount contributed being a sum considerably in excess of previous years, and a much larger number of Churches contributing. The Committee greatly regret that the amount necessarily paid to those who had given notice of their withdrawal prior to the commencement of the year is so large that nothing was left for the annuitants. It is, however, worthy of remark, that if the present provisions regulating withdrawals had applied to those who have received the amount due

them, or if there had been no withdrawal other than of those who have given notice during the present year, the amount that could have been paid to annuitants would have afforded them substantial aid, and it is gratifying to know that they can confidently expect, during the coming year, to receive important relief from the Fund. The Committee offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Synod rejoice in the evidence of the increasing prosperity of the Widows' Fund, and again earnestly commend it to the cordial support of the Ministry and the Churches.

The reports of the agents for the Widows' Fund in the Classis of Paramus and the South Classis of Bergen illustrate the wisdom of the plan adopted by the General Synod and recommended to the Classes, of appointing agents to operate within their bounds in behalf of the Widows' Fund, and report to the General Synod.

The means employed in prosecuting the object of their agency were preaching on the Fund, conferences with Ministers and Consistories, and addressing a pastoral letter to the Churches upon the state and claims of the Fund and the importance of sustaining it, urging upon Pastors the duty of bringing the subject prominently before the Churches at the time of their annual collection in behalf of the Fund.

The efforts of these Classes to awaken a becoming and general interest in the Widows' Fund, and thus to obtain increased and increasing contributions in its behalf, and to secure for all the Pastors an interest in the Fund, by donations from their Churches, have met with encouraging success. We have reason to believe, if all the Classes had adopted the plan recommended by the General Synod, and pursued it with becoming zeal and energy, a result would have been reached, which would have secured substantial relief to our needy brethren still living, and to the families of the departed, and would be most cheering to the heart of every member of the Synod and of the whole Church.

The attention of the Synod is called to the following resolution of the South Classis of Bergen :

" April 17th, 1864.—On motion it was resolved that the Rev. John L. Chapman, agent for the Widows' Fund in the South Classis of Bergen, be instructed, in his report to the General Synod, to urge upon the Synod the importance of continuing the Classical agents, and of taking such measures as will not only secure their appointment, but also the performance of their duties, and a report of their agency annually to the General Synod."

The Committee offer the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Synod enjoin upon all the Classes under their care to carry out the plan of Classical agencies in behalf of the Widows' Fund, adopted in 1863, with all practicable promptness and fidelity, and earnestly commend the Fund to the Churches.

From the account of the Disabled Ministers' Fund, which has been

submitted to your Committee, it appears there was a balance on hand, received from the late Sustentation Fund, of..... \$313 90

Received during the current year..... 536 96

Making an amount of..... \$850 86

There have been appropriations made, during the year, of \$200, leaving a balance on hand of \$650 86. Thus far it seems the Fund has been adequate to meet the demands upon the Treasurer, but it is not to be expected that so few applications will hereafter be made; and your Committee, in view of the necessities of many who have not been able to avail themselves of other sources of relief, would urge upon the General Synod the necessity of doing something for this object of benevolence.

Probably few appeals can be made more effectually to the Christian heart, than that of the disabled minister, who has worn himself out in the service of his Master, and is now destitute of the comforts of life. Your Committee cannot but feel that there ought to be more prominence given to this object of benevolence. They offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That the General Synod urge upon the several Classes to present the Disabled Ministers' Fund to the Churches for their liberal contributions.

Inasmuch as the Widows' Fund is the oldest and the most prominent before the Church, your Committee think it should occupy the first place in the *Lemma* on that subject, and recommend that it be so entered on the Minutes.

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. VAN DYCK.

WIDOWS' FUND AS AMENDED.

1. The Fund shall be called "The Fund for the Relief of Disabled Ministers, and the Widows and Children of Ministers of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church," and shall be administered by the Board of Corporation of the General Synod of said Church, during the pleasure and under the control of the General Synod.

2. Every Minister of the Reformed Dutch Church may secure a full interest in the Fund, by the payment of twenty dollars annually. Payments of ten dollars, or five dollars annually, shall entitle subscribers to a proportionate benefit from the Fund. Neglect of payment for one year to be a forfeiture of privilege. Interest, however, shall at all times be required after six months. Payments, at one time, of a sum, the interest of which, at four per cent. per annum, shall amount to twenty dollars, or to ten dollars, or five dollars per annum, shall give a claim upon the Fund in the same manner as if those amounts were paid annually; and, in this case, the amount of

the original payment may, at the death or disability of the minister, be withdrawn, without impairing the right of benefit from the Fund. Ministers interested in the Fund, by the payment of an annual subscription, shall be at liberty to relinquish such interest by ceasing to make such annual payment; and they, as well as those who have heretofore ceased to make such payments, shall be entitled to receive seventy-five per cent. of the amount paid by them, without interest, by giving notice to the Treasurer nine months prior to the thirtieth day of April in each year, provided the amounts so to be paid shall not, in the aggregate, exceed one-half of the income of the current year; in which case one-half of such income shall be distributed *pro rata* among the applicants, and the balance due them shall be included among the applications for payments to be made at the close of the next fiscal year. Ministers who have made a payment of a principal sum, as above provided, may withdraw the amount of money actually paid by them, without interest, by giving nine months' notice to the Treasurer prior to the thirtieth day of April in any year, and shall be entitled then to receive the same from the principal of the Fund. Ministers leaving our Church shall be subjected to the same rule in the withdrawal of their subscriptions.

3. One half of the annual payments by Ministers, and donations, when so specially directed by the donor, shall be considered income; the other half of the annual payments by Ministers, all other donations, and the collections in the Churches shall be considered principal, and the interest only used as income. There shall also be added to the principal, at the close of each fiscal year, out of the income, a sum equal to three per cent. of the principal sums standing to the credit of individual Ministers, in consequence of payments made by them under the provisions of paragraph two. Consistories or individuals may, at their pleasure, direct their contributions, collections and donations, to apply in whole or in part to the credit of any minister they may designate; but in such cases the same shall be considered as principal, and not thereafter withdrawn, unless otherwise directed at the time of payment.

4. No money belonging to this Fund shall be loaned (except on temporary loan with collateral security) unless secured by bond and mortgage on real estate. The moneys belonging to this Fund shall be kept separate and distinct from all other funds of Synod.

5. The officers of the Board of Corporation shall be the officers of the trust—the Treasurer's duty shall be to collect the income and make all payments. He shall report minutely and fully to General Synod at each of its annual meetings; his accounts to be audited by a committee of the Board of Corporation.

6. The maximum amount to be paid to parties interested in the Fund shall be—to a minister disabled by sickness or age, two hundred dollars per annum; to the widow of a deceased minister, two hundred dollars per annum; to children of clergymen, both whose

parents have deceased, seventy-five dollars per annum, each, until they attain the age of sixteen years. Should the income, upon due experiment, be found to admit it, this maximum may hereafter be increased. When but one payment has been made, the maximum of the annuity allowed shall be seventy-five dollars. When two annual payments have been made, the maximum annuity allowed shall be one hundred dollars. When three annual payments have been made, the maximum annuity shall be one hundred and fifty dollars. When four annual payments have been made, the maximum annuity shall be one hundred and seventy-five dollars; and where payments have been made for five years and upwards, the maximum annuity shall be, as above stated, two hundred dollars—the widows and children of such, to receive respectively according to this graduation.

As long as the income is sufficient to pay each claimant the maximum annuity, the maximum shall be allowed; but should the income not be sufficient, then the whole income shall be divided among the claimants, in proportion to their claims.

It is expressly understood that in all the above cases, to entitle the applicants to their annuities, the payments of subscriptions must be continued regularly until they cease by the operation of the principles herein contained.

7. A widow of a minister contracting marriage, forfeits her claim to the annuity—but in such case the children under sixteen years of age shall be entitled to their annuities, as though both parents had deceased.

8. In disbursing the income of the Fund, where a minister is the applicant, he shall be required to produce a certificate from his Classis, or other satisfactory evidence, declaring that by reason of sickness, old age, or other providential cause, he is incapable of service.

Where a widow is an applicant, like satisfactory evidence of the decease of her husband, and the date thereof, shall be required.

When children, both whose parents have deceased, are concerned, like evidence of the death of their parents, and of their own age, shall be required.

9. The payments to annuitants shall be made half yearly; to ministers, commencing with the date of their incapacity for service; to widows, from the death of their husbands; and to children, from the death of their last surviving parent.

The Treasurer's books, on authentic vouchers, shall furnish the evidence of the payment of subscriptions.

Annuitants shall be admitted to the benefit of the Fund by a vote of the Trustees of the Fund, or a committee specially appointed for that purpose.

10. Alterations may be made in the rules relating to the general management of the Fund, by a vote of two-thirds of the paying subscribers thereto; but the plan, in its essential principles relating to a civil compact between each subscriber and the General Synod, as

the contracting parties, cannot be altered without the consent of every paying subscriber.

11. These rules are adopted and confirmed by Synod, as the system for the management of the Widows' Fund.

ARTICLE XX.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Tenth Annual Report of the Board of Publication was presented and referred to the Committee on Publication, except the report of vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Committee on Publication presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee to whom were referred the papers of the Board of Publication, respectfully submit the following as their Report :

The Board of Publication has reached an interesting era, having just completed the first decade of its existence. It seems proper, therefore, from this point, to glance at its *past history*, its *present condition*, and its *future prospects*.

I. ITS PAST HISTORY.

That history has been one of alternate hopes and fears, of mingled anxiety and responsibility on the part of its patrons and friends. Its original organization, even in the view of many who felt no disposition to oppose it, was a matter of doubtful expediency. Its necessity was questionable, its success highly problematical. But the Church, by the action of the General Synod, having lent the sanction of its approval to the undertaking, the experiment was tried, and the record of its history shows how well it has stood the test. When we compare the means furnished with what has been accomplished, the result proves that the enterprise is by no means a failure. It should be remembered that this Board began its work with no endowment to win its way to popular favor; and while yet without funds, was called upon to issue a German hymn book, the publication of which involved a cost of two thousand dollars. And although a large outlay was necessarily required in the incipency of its operations, such has been the skillful management of its resources, that the indebtedness thus incurred has gradually diminished, its working power greatly enlarged, and its hold upon the confidence and sympathies of the Churches has steadily gained.

The Board has ever had its warm supporters, who in seasons of embarrassment have promptly come to its relief, and have met the issue

with a noble spirit. And it is but simple justice here to make special mention of the unwearied, efficient, and self-denying labors of its Secretary in its behalf. A tabular statement of receipts shows that while the contributions given from year to year have been spasmodic, there has been an average increase.

The amount of stock reported on hand at the close of the first year of the Board's existence, May 1st, 1855, was.....\$ 3,811 28

While on May 1st, 1864, it was.....27,091 30

Consisting of publications, stereotypes, plates, boxes, wood-cuts, and electrotypes.

The total number of copies of books and tracts published during the past ten years is.....504,847

Total number of pages.....48,916,678

2. PRESENT CONDITION.

1. *Financial Condition.*

Total receipts of the Board from all sources, during the year ending May 1st, 1864.....\$39,368 24

Expenditures for the same period.....39,151 62

Leaving a balance in the Treasury.....216 62

During the same time the indebtedness of the Board has been reduced from \$14,257 15 of last year, to \$11,712 58.

2. *Business Operations.*

The Publication Department has issued six new volumes, one a German edition, comprising an aggregate of 8,000 pages. The number of publications for the past year is 71,474 copies, or 6,141,872 pages; to which must be added 94,500 copies of the *Missionary Recorder*.

3. *Labors in the Army.*

The sum of \$2,477 84 from Churches, Sabbath schools and individuals, has been given for the circulation of religious books and tracts in the army. The field for Christian effort which the army presents is large and flourishing, and calls loudly for increased contributions to meet its demands. The agent employed in this field, we are told, "has prosecuted his work with untiring assiduity, and with an interest which could not be increased if he were prosecuting his own private business." From this agent we learn that the issues of the Board for army purposes are well received and happily suited to meet the wants of those noble men who are hazarding their lives in the righteous cause of their country. An army chaplain writes that he has "seen nothing to equal our smaller publications in their adaptation to do good to the soldiers."

3. FUTURE PROSPECTS.

In the review of the past and the cheering aspect of the present, bright hopes light up the future. The friends of the Board have just

cause to "thank God and take courage." The growing confidence felt in its success is seen in the fact that a larger number of Churches have contributed to its support last year, than during any previous year of its existence. The increase of its sales over the previous year is nearly \$3,000. Its indebtedness is steadily diminishing. Its business operations are conducted on a cash basis; with prudent management and strict economy. Its financial and publication departments have never been in a more healthful and prosperous condition. In addition to its own issues, the Board keep on hand the publications of other Boards and Depo-itories, thus furnishing a well assorted supply for family and Sabbath school libraries. It has now become an established agency of the Church for the spread of her doctrines and the dissemination of a sound religious literature. The attention of parochial and religious schools is called to its series of Christian school books, and the Churches are earnestly solicited to coöperate in circulating these works, and in carrying Christianity with education to the fields so extensively opened in the schools now being established by Christian liberality among the freedmen at the South.

Your committee are deeply impressed with the conviction that with a warmer sympathy and a more active coöperation on the part of *all* the Churches, the Board will soon be able, with the divine blessing, not only to declare itself free from debt, but greatly to extend its operations, and eventually to become a source of revenue to aid in defraying the contingent expenses of the Church.

The following resolutions are submitted for the action of the General Synod :

1. *Resolved*, That the Board of Publication be renewedly commended to the confidence and liberality of the Churches, and that they be urged to make an annual contribution to its support.

2. *Resolved*, That the attention of pastors and superintendents of Sabbath schools be directed to its publications in purchasing and replenishing their libraries.

3. *Resolved* That pastors of the Churches contributing to the aid of the Christian Commission, recommend that their contributions for religious reading in the army be expended in the purchase of the publications of this Board.

4. *Whereas*, The want of a hymn book for our Sunday Schools, more thoroughly evangelical in tone and sentiment is widely felt, therefore,

Resolved, That the Board of Publication be requested to inquire into the propriety of preparing such a book, and to report to the next General Synod.

5. By the late action of the Particular Synod of Chicago, the attention of the Board of Publication and of the General Synod is called to the importance of issuing a translation of Rev. D. D. Demarest's

History of the Reformed Dutch Church, for circulation among the Holland Churches; also, of the importance of publication by this Board, of "an Almanac, in which may be given a comprehensive statement of the work of our denomination, in a small compass, for the purpose of extending the knowledge of our Church in the West."

Your Committee believe that the circulation of such an almanac would do much to remove the prevailing ignorance of the history and polity of the Reformed Dutch Church in the West, and to aid in the work of church extension, and thus earnestly recommend its publication by the Board, at the earliest moment practicable. We also recommend the translation and publication of Rev. D. D. Demarest's History, so soon as funds can be procured to warrant the undertaking.

All of which is respectfully submitted,

J. A. LANSING, *Chairman*

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Publication whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that Revs. Isaac Ferris, W. J. R. Taylor, C. Scott, James Eells, J. Romeyn Berry, Messrs. Peter Duryee, James A. Williamson, Richard Amerman, were elected.

ARTICLE XXI.

PARTICULARIA.

The communication containing the Van Benschoten Bequest was read.

Resolved, That three hundred copies of a list of the members, names and of the Standing Committees be printed for the use of the members of the Synod.

Resolutions on the state of the country, offered by Rev. J. W. Schenck and Rev. J. F. Mesick, were, together with the whole subject, referred to a Committee, consisting of Rev. R. D. Van Kleeck, J. Forsyth, O. E. Cobb, and Elders T. Jeremiah, and R. N. Perlee.

The Committee presented the following report, which was unanimously adopted :

The Committee on the State of the Country would report as follows :

In view of the duty to recognize the powers that be, as ordained of God, to render unto Cæsar the things that are Cæsar's; to pray for all men, for all that are in authority, that we may lead a quiet

and peaceable life in all godliness and honesty, and to acknowledge and adore the providence of God, especially in trying and perilous times,

1. The General Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church heartily sympathizes with the government of the United States in its efforts to crush rebellion against its rightful authority, and to restore to this now distressed people their once cherished integrity as a union of states.

2. This Synod gives thanks to God for all the successes which have attended the efforts to suppress this rebellion; and for all the encouragements to hope that peace may soon be restored. And we trust that our sense of gratitude to Him, the author of all good, may not be impaired by an acknowledgement of inexpressible and incalculable indebtedness to the tens of thousands of our fellow citizens, who have devoted their property and their labors, sacrificed their comforts and their lives, and given up their loved ones in our defence and for the salvation of their country. May God bless them with such rewards as He only can give. May He especially grant His grace, mercy, and peace to the sick, the wounded and the dying.

3. Inasmuch as all success depends on the favor of God, and can be hoped for only through His controlling influence upon the hearts and His blessing upon the efforts of the people of our land, our Synod will not cease to pray, and it earnestly urges the Churches under its care that they cease not to pray for repentance and forgiveness of all our sins, whether national or otherwise, for the gift of wisdom to our counselors and rulers, skill to our commanders, courage to our soldiers, and grace to all the people, to the end that success may attend our arms, our government be maintained, and peace make its permanent abode in the land, if God please, never more to be disturbed.

4. In treating of the present state of our country, we cannot lose sight of the acknowledged principal cause of this deplorable rebellion. In time past, the General Synod has not deemed it necessary to give forth a judgment in regard to the system of American slavery, inasmuch as it existed in regions beyond the bounds of our Church; yet, as in the overruling Providence of that God who knows how to make the wrath of man to praise Him, there is a prospect opened for the ultimate and entire removal of that system which embodies so much of moral and social evil, and as by such removal there is opened a wide field of Christian labors to employ the energies of the Christian Church in this land, the Synod expresses its gratitude to God for this bright prospect, and would join in the prayer, that the day may be hastened when liberty shall be effectually and finally proclaimed throughout all the land, to all the inhabitants thereof.

Respectfully submitted,

R. D. VAN KLEEK,
Chairman of the Committee.

Resolved, That a Committee of five ruling elders be appointed to prepare a Minute on the subject of Ministerial support in the present state of affairs. The following Committee was appointed: Messrs. S. B. Schieffelin, J. N. Stearns, J. Auchmoedy, P. S. Duryee, S. B. Stewart.

The Committee presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee, to whom was referred the subject of Ministerial support, as affected by the present state of affairs, would respectfully report: That a special meeting of all the ruling elders in this Synod was held, at the request of your Committee, and, at that meeting, the following preamble and resolutions were unanimously recommended to be presented by your Committee to the General Synod for adoption. Your Committee, therefore, offer the following:

Whereas, The depreciation of the currency has increased the expense of living, and has been followed by a corresponding advance of salaries and wages in all departments of labor, therefore,

Resolved, That the attention of the Churches connected with this Synod be called to the contracts which they have made with their ministers in relation to their temporal support; and that such as have not already done so, be urged, as a matter of justice, to increase, for the time being, the salaries of their pastors in proportion to the increased expense of living.

Resolved, That the Classes be directed, at their next fall sessions, to inquire of each Church under their care whether this recommendation of Synod has been carried into effect.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk send a copy of the above to each Classis, and to the Consistory of each Church connected with this Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL B. SCHIEFFELIN,
Chairman.

The following was adopted:

The General Synod adopts the following Minute on the three hundredth return of the day (27th May) of John Calvin's death:

It is eminently proper that our Christian brethren at Geneva, Switzerland, should erect some fit memorial of one who accomplished so much for the cause of truth, righteousness, good order and government in the Church of Christ, not in their city only but in many lands. His work was not confined to the place of his abode, nor interrupted by his departure to his reward of "glory, honor, and immortality." It has steadily developed and spread among the mountain fastnesses

of Switzerland, the sunny vales of France, the fertile flats of Holland, in the Palatinate and in this New World, which holds his name in highest reverence. Three centuries have attested the truth of the theological system he promulged, and the scripturalness of the form of Church government he established. Those who own allegiance to his principles may now be numbered by millions. The coming centuries will witness increasing multitudes marching under the same banner. He was the father of public schools, and struck the fatal blow at civil and religious tyranny by unfolding to every Christian his full personal rights and duties as a believer. We send greetings and salutations to our brethren across the waters, and bid them God-speed in their endeavors to erect a memorial hall for the instruction of this and coming generations to the memory of John Calvin—the minister and professor, who, being dead, still speaks and teaches. We trust that in our denomination will be found not a few who will rejoice to share with them in the honorable enterprise, by pecuniary assistance and prayer.

The Stated Clerk reported that he had received from Mrs. Bethune 1,700 volumes, selected by her from the library of her late husband, Rev. Dr. G. W. Bethune, and donated to the General Synod for the library in Peter Hertzog Hall. Many of these have been bound, many repaired, and all marked with the name "Bethune," according to the conditions of the gift. The large expense required for this work has been cheerfully borne by a few of the personal friends of the Rev. Dr. Bethune.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Synod are due not only to Mrs. Bethune for her munificent donation of books, but also to those who have so liberally furnished the means for putting them in the required order.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of this body be requested to arrange in future with railroad or steamboat companies for the price of tickets of delegates on their coming to and returning from the annual or extra meetings of the General Synod.

ARTICLE XXII.

BENEVOLENT AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

A daily prayer meeting was established and held, during the sessions of the Synod, at eight o'clock, A.M.

An hour was spent, on the afternoon of the first day of the session, in devotional exercises. On the afternoon of the second day of the

session, after a sermon by Rev. James Romeyn Berry, the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod, the Corresponding Secretaries of the Board of Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions, Education and Publication were heard on the third day of the session.

On the evening of the third day of the session the Synod spent a season of special prayer in behalf of the country.

The claims of the Colonization Society were presented by Rev. Mr. Brace, whereupon it was

Resolved, That the General Synod have continued confidence in the Colonization Society, and believe it to be an instrumentality prepared by the providence of God for a great work in the future history of the colored race in this country, and recommend it to the continued support of our Churches.

The claims of the American Missionary Association, in its special work of giving religious instruction in the South, were presented by the Rev. William Hamilton.

Resolved, That this Synod feels deeply interested in the statements made by Rev. Wm. Hamilton, in regard to the spiritually destitute, both white and colored, in the portions of the Southern States in which the rebellion has been overcome.

Resolved, That as we have providentially in the Boards of Domestic Missions and Publication the facilities for entering upon this field of Christian labor, these Boards be directed to do all in their power to discharge the duty of our Church to these classes.

Resolved, That the Churches be earnestly requested to coöperate with these Boards in this most interesting work.

On the evening of the sixth day of the session, the sermon in behalf of the benevolent operations of the Church was preached by Rev. Joachim Elmendorf, from Gal. 5 : 6—"For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision availeth any thing nor uncircumcision, but faith which worketh by love."

On the afternoon of the seventh day of the session, Mr. George H. Stuart was heard in behalf of the Christian Commission, whereupon it was

Resolved, That this Synod has listened, with deep interest, to the statements of George H. Stuart, President of the Christian Commission, respecting the great and good work which the Commission is

prosecuting, in behalf of the armies of the Union, with such distinguished success; and that this Synod most cordially and earnestly commend the Christian Commission to the hearty coöperation of our Churches as an agency most wisely adapted to the promotion of the spiritual and physical welfare of the brave and patriotic men who are periling their lives in the defense of the government and the cause of the Union.

On the morning of the eighth day of the session, Rev. Dr. Holdich, one of the Secretaries of the American Bible Society, was heard in behalf of that institution. It was

Resolved, That this Synod learns, with great delight and thanksgiving to God, that the American Bible Society has been so liberally sustained during the past year; and again most cordially calls the attention of the Churches to the duty and privilege of sustaining this Society in its work, extended so widely and blessed so abundantly at home and abroad, including the army and navy, the rebel as well as loyal States, in short, among all classes and conditions of men every where.

Rev. Theodore B. Romeyn was chosen *Primarius*, and Rev. H. R. Timlow, *Secundus*, to preach the sermon in behalf of benevolent operations at the next stated session.

Resolved, That all pastors, in connection with the Synod, are hereby earnestly requested to regard its injunction, that the last Thursday of February be observed as a day of special prayer for colleges and seminaries of learning, and that the pastors of the various Churches preach on the subject of Education the Sabbath previous thereto.

TABULAR STATEMENT

Of the Contributions made during the year ending April 30, 1864, by the several Churches, to the (denominational) Boards and Funds recommended by Synod, each sum comprising the total amount received from each Church, whether by church collections or otherwise.
[See Synod Proceedings, June, 1862, p. 212.]

CHURCHES	Education	Dom. Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Disabled Ministers' Fund	Ch. Building Fund
Classis of Albany.							
1st Church.....	419 75	842 11	619 78	114 80			
2d do		800 00	450 00	89 45	50 00		
8d do		67 50	40 00	12 00	20 00		
4th do	6 50	11 00	27 00				2 00
1st Bethlehem							
2d do	29 00	27 67	82 00	20 00	20 00		
Union... }					20 00		
Jerusalem }					20 00		
Coeymans	25 74	22 95	40 00	9 88	17 80		
New Baltimore	21 00	20 40	98 55	17 18	88 00		
New Salem			18 72				
Clarksville			17 60				
Westerlo							
Onisquethaw							
Holland	5 15	7 00	16 00				
2d Berne				6 60			
Classis of Aroot.							
Classis of Bergen.							
English Neighborhood		10 50	56 16	7 15	11 00		18 45
1st Hackensack		72 50	72 50				804 00
Schraalenbergh	30 00	51 02	24 55				84 00
New Durham	85 89	62 48	75 00				187 20
1st Hoboken	12 60	55 00	25 54	14 50			9 75
8d Jersey City	26 50		81 17				177 01
German North Bergen							
German Hoboken	6 57	7 44	8 47				
2d Hackensack	42 25		55 18		20 00		100 00
German Hackensack							
South Classis of Bergen.							
Bergen	26 00	205 56	840 85				
Belleville	10 00	55 00	75 00	10 00	20 00		
1st Jersey City	34 46	64 05	22 21		82 75		800 00
Bergen Neck	81 40	80 30	16 70	8 15			
1st Newark	61 00		144 58	81 72			50 25
Irrington	10 00	23 00	22 00	10 00	5 00		5 00
1st Van Vorst	196 68	108 60	825 25	46 68	10 57		308 05
2d Newark	20 68	83 70	106 58				
8d Newark (German)							
1st Hudson City							
Bergen Point		89 00	57 46	18 00	20 00		
Franklin	6 16	28 60	11 60	12 20	4 09		4 75
North Newark	91 27	800 00	446 51	75 84			
German, Jersey City		6 99					
2d Hudson City		2 40					

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Classis of Cayuga.							
Canastota.....		7 55					
Chittenango.....	2 00	22 45	22 45				
Cicero.....							
Lysander.....	12 00	18 00	17 60				4 00
Naumburg.....	1 62	9 00	1 50				
New Bremen.....		5 50	90				
Owasco.....							
Owasco Outlet.....		4 70					
Syracuse.....	20 89	23 88	94 84				
Thousand Isles.....		7 00					
Utica.....		176 94	300 00	30 00			
West Leyden.....	8 00	9 20	10 00				
Classis of Geneva.							
Lodi.....	47 85	126 26	86 27	18 75			9 25
Farmerville.....	21 79	28 75	54 25				
Geneva.....	30 00		117 61		14 00		
Ithaca.....	29 47	32 61	187 87				
Arcadia.....							
Tyre.....		12 00					
Caroline.....		14 00	5 75				
Wolcott.....	12 00	7 00	7 00				
Waterloo.....							
Buffalo.....							
Pultneyville.....							
Rochester.....	8 75	11 25	18 90	9 00			
Olymer.....	15 63	25 00	10 60	2 80			
Oato.....	8 00	15 00		10 00			
Mina Corners.....			4 00				
Athens, Pa.....	85 00	37 11	37 12	11 55			
Classis of Greene.							
1st Athens.....	8 98	54 47	52 48	5 50			
2d do.....							
Oatskill.....	20 00	59 85	66 41				
1st Coxsackie.....	5 00	14 50	81 00	9 10			
2d do.....	44 67	20 51	200 18	71 10			10 00
Kiskatom.....	21 00	21 00	21 00	21 00			
Leeds.....	36 50	26 00	37 50	5 00	8 00	8 00	6 00
Moresville and So. Gilboa.....		12 25			12 52		
Prattville.....			18 00		22 50		
Roxbury.....	5 00	18 00		6 60	20 00		18 00
Classis of Holland.							
Drenthe.....			41 00			4 00	
Graafschap.....				3 00			
Grand Haven.....	21 50	16 00	40 55				
Grand Rapids.....	10 00	20 00	10 00		10 00		
Grandville.....	1 00						
Holland.....	21 85		60 00	25 00			
Kalamasoo.....	7 75		69 25		2 65		
Muskegon.....			10 00				
North Holland.....	8 65						
Noordeloos.....							
Overysel.....	8 55	20 00	62 50	8 00	7 00	7 10	
Pella.....	28 05	25 00	89 00				
Folkton.....		8 50					
Vriesland.....	8 00	4 00		4 70			
Zeeland.....			20 75			5 65	
2d Holland.....			12 82	8 90			

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Classis of Hudson.							
Hudson.....	178 31	186 00	225 00	22 60	30 50	25 00	22 30
1st Claverack.....							
2d Claverack.....	14 00	11 00	43 91	15 20			
Lindithgow.....	10 25	5 00	47 50	10 80			
Upper Red Hook.....	18 50	18 00	11 00				
Germantown.....		17 00	13 50				
Greenport.....							
Taghkanic.....	10 20	30 00	20 00				
Classis of Illinois.							
Fairview.....	2 00	20 00	78 00	7 00			
Pekin.....	16 00	43 94	88 27		14 40		
Van Derveer.....		5 00	5 00	3 50			
Burlington.....							
Silver Creek.....							
Spring Lake.....							
Raritan.....							
Bushnell.....		6 00					
Keokuk.....							
Quincy.....							
Davenport.....	14 00	20 00	10 00				
Whitehall.....							
2nd Pella.....		58 85	7 00				
Classis of Kingston.							
Bloomington.....		2 49					
Clove.....		10 18	23 00	3 43			
Dashville Falls.....	8 30	4 00	7 45	1 24			
Gulford.....	81 00	38 25	25 75	5 90			
Hurley.....	15 80	37 76	71 15				13 00
2d Ch. Kingston.....	26 48	51 05	163 03	83 68			
Marbletown.....	110 00	69 10	50 10				
New Paltz.....		162 75	192 96	22 64			
North Marbletown.....	6 78	35 75	13 50				
Rochester.....							
Rosendale.....							
Samsonville.....	1 65						
N. Classis of L. Island.							
Jamaica.....		17 64	78 21	5 00			
Newtown.....	21 09	31 15	95 68	32 78	21 61		18 44
Oyster Bay.....	20 23	17 25	2 25	7 50	13 40		
North Hempstead.....	18 35	25 00	25 00	22 97			
Williamsburgh.....	25 19	75 90	81 05		20 78		
Astoria.....	52 80	50 75	181 78	13 85	14 00	16 10	16 00
Greenpoint.....	14 30	291 27	171 40	79 70			
Flushing.....	49 09	204 53	219 54				
South Bushwick.....	10 55	27 86	27 86				
Lee Avenue.....		87 25	104 68	86 20			
East Williamsburgh.....	20 05	76 34	59 71	10 50			8 00
Queens.....		9 26	18 00				
2d Church, Newtown.....				2 78			
Ger. Church, Astoria.....							
Woodhaven.....			6 47				
S. Classis of L. Island.							
Brooklyn.....	143 65	84 30	532 87	77 52	143 70	43 71	
Flatbush.....	215 37	250 99	530 88	47 15			21 35
New Utrecht.....	44 50	253 86	307 60	43 86			50 00

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S. Cl.'s of L. Island, cont'd.							
Gravesend.....	14 86	65 00	66 55	14 90	7 75	7 75	
Flatlands.....	56 60	64 41	58 88	11 73	5 84	5 88	
New Lots.....	20 00	18 50	87 35			15 00	
East New York.....	35 70	32 89	42 57	15 90		10 77	
South Brooklyn.....	6 00	3 53	6 58	3 75	4 22	4 28	5 05
Middle Brooklyn.....			150 00				
North Gowanus.....	81 04	71 13	42 09	30 73			11 20
North Brooklyn.....	104 63	808 22	927 10	23 65	23 88	23 88	25 76
Church on the Heights.....	100 00	1492 29	1210 59	195 60	23 08	43 02	63 55
New Brooklyn.....	8 00	11 70	5 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	2 00
East Brooklyn.....	150 00	81 87	47 01				
Classis of Michigan.							
Battle Creek.....	10 00	5 00	18 86				
Centerville.....	5 00		5 00	8 00			4 00
Constantine.....	4 00		5 00				
Mottville.....			2 00				
Porter.....							
Macon.....		8 00					
Grand Rapids.....		23 56	12 50	10 00			
Jefferson and Pittsford.....		5 00					
South Bend.....							
Ridgeway.....							
2d Holland.....	10 71	12 00					6 70
Classis of Monmouth.							
First Freehold.....	83 00	36 72	88 45	2 00			
Second Freehold.....	45 00		30 00	20 00			
Middletown.....	14 00	30 69	88 48	14 00	18 00	15 00	14 00
Spotswood.....	4 00		4 00	2 00			
Middletown Village.....	10 00	14 62	10 00				
Keyport.....		10 50	4 00				
Long Branch.....	10 00	7 00	7 00	5 00		5 00	
Colt's Neck.....							
Classis of Montgomery.							
Auriclesville.....							
Canajoharie.....			6 55				
Caughnawaga.....			20 00				
Columbia.....							
Currytown.....		5 40					
Mapletown.....			15 25				
Ephrata.....							
Florida.....	49 00	49 00	51 00	11 84			
Fort Plain.....							
Fort Herkimer.....							
Fultonville.....		10 00	10 00				
Glen.....	22 40	44 50	50 00	15 85			
Hagaman's Mills.....							
Henderson.....		17 00	15 00				
Herkimer.....	5 10	6 75	50 22				
Manheim.....							
Mohawk.....							
Port Jackson.....		6 00	6 15	4 00			
Stone Arabia.....	7 00	8 00	14 50				
St. Johnsville.....	15 00	15 00					
Spraker's Basin.....							
Indian Castle.....							

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Classis of N. Brunswick.							
First New Brunswick.....	48 10	829 10	889 15	15 47	15 81	16 25	34 19
Six Mile Run.....	88 00	204 60	200 70	.....	17 50	.....	.....
Hillsborough.....	.....	67 42	169 26	.....	.....	.....	.....
Middlebush.....	48 21	75 00	105 02	.....	12 28	.....	.....
Griggstown.....	18 00	45 65	41 00	.....	6 60	.....	.....
Second New Brunswick.....	87 01	68 58	250 48	25 08	8 12	8 13	.....
Boundbrook.....	74 88	100 50	218 45	.....	.....	.....	.....
Third New Brunswick.....	.....	15 75	12 05	.....	.....	.....	.....
East Millstone.....	16 12	60 55	266 24	23 40	20 90	.....	.....
Metuchin.....	15 68	81 58	47 42	6 01	.....	.....	.....
Classis of New York.							
New York, (Collegiate).....	1260 78	4019 89	8926 19	1108 25	122 75	185 75	690 48
Thirty-fourth St.....	150 10	524 44	228 99	87 25	5 00	.....	50 00
Greenwich.....	50 72	76 81	695 54	24 27	.....	.....	.....
Twenty-first St.....	27 28	147 20	256 81	35 15	.....	.....	.....
North-west 23d St.....	175 00	287 28	220 00	81 78	88 84	88 84	47 36
German Evan. Miss. Ch.....	58 98	70 25	160 00	6 00	.....	.....	.....
Mt. Pleasant, 10th St.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bloomington.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harlem.....	44 64	.....	860 60	.....	.....	.....	.....
Washington Heights.....	9 00	.....	8 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Harlem German Reformed.....	.....	485 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Mott Haven.....	7 30	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
3d Ger. Reformed.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Staten Island.....	.....	188 74	128 84	.....	.....	.....	.....
Richmond, (S. L.).....	.....	18 44	87 61	.....	.....	.....	.....
Huguenots, (S. L.).....	2 17	24 29	6 45	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fourth German.....	8 00	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Prospect Hill.....	15 21	160 80	45 00	14 00	.....	18 80	.....
Madison St. Mission.....	.....	20 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Westfield, (Huguenots).....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 48
South Classis of N. York.							
Stapleton.....	40 00	.....	77 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Tompkinsville.....	19 26	52 87	108 84	24 54	.....	.....	.....
South Dutch.....	253 14	182 92	1604 98	.....	.....	.....	.....
Market Street.....	58 80	380 58	626 70	.....	22 80	.....	.....
Washington Square.....	.....	164 65	262 75	.....	.....	.....	.....
Manhattan.....	.....	10 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rushwick.....	9 88	12 50	18 50	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union R. P. Dutch, 6th Ave.....	.....	.....	19 66	.....	.....	.....	.....
German Ref. (Rev. A. Berkey)...	10 50	4 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
German Ref. (Rev. Ebaugh).....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
German, Tompkinsville.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
North Trinity.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Classis of Orange.							
Berea.....	.....	87 75	.....	11 00	.....	.....	8 00
Bloomingsburgh.....	.....	.....	81 00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Backbrook.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Millsville.....	.....	75	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cuddebackville.....	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Deerpark.....	57 67	147 50	297 78	16 86	.....	25 15	12 86
Ellenville.....	.....	52 56	68 54	.....	.....	.....	.....
Fallsburgh.....	.....	.....	10 00	10 00	.....	.....	.....
Grahamville.....	2 58	.....	8 50	10 15	.....	.....	.....
Upper Neversink.....	2 00	.....	4 10	4 00	2 00	.....	.....
Jeffersonville.....	1 54	1 01	2 84	95
Trumansville.....	1 54	1 81	2 78	9 05
Mamakating.....	9 50

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Class of Orange, cont'd.							
Middleport.....		11 00					
Ministok.....							
Montgomery.....		180 00	314 20	18 05			36 00
Newburgh.....	37 00	71 00	409 89	21 00			
New Hurley.....		84 00	77 80	1 00			
New Prospect.....	9 46	15 88	88 96	5 55			3 97
Shawangunk.....	15 00	45 00	20 00	5 00		5 00	17 50
Walden.....	16 75	55 00	76 00	21 75			
Walpack.....		8 00	28 00				
South Walpack.....	7 00						
Wawarsing.....		11 00	16 60				
Classis of Paramus.							
Clarkstown.....		44 58	68 86	35 58	8 71		
Tappan.....	28 77	37 00	24 93	6 00			
Acquanok.....	5 00	169 35	234 81				
1st Church, Totowa.....	10 10	18 00	120 88	6 95			
2nd Church Totowa.....		15 00	167 40	6 95			
Paramus.....	62 00	108 04	43 50	22 00			12 50
Pascack.....	8 50	5 00	9 08				
Saddle River.....							
Ramapo.....		11 00	15 89				
West New Hempstead.....	9 97	21 87	21 86				
Warwick.....	18 50	60 74	60 78				
Nyack.....	11 88	41 56	111 57	8 50			
Piermont.....	25 86	12 00	129 80				
Holland Church, Paterson.....							
Holland Church, Lodi.....	5 07	12 00	5 06	4 00			4 00
Classis of Passaic.							
Boardville.....	5 00	7 00	6 00				
Fairfield.....			10 00	22 50			
Little Falls.....							5 00
Montville.....		12 26	95 49	40 00			13 10
Pompton Plains.....	30 88	20 60	60 50	42 00			
Pompton.....			67 00	8 00			
Ponds.....							
Preakness.....							
Stone House Plains.....	10 00	15 00	10 00	8 60			
Wyckoff.....		4 00	5 00				
Classis of Philadelphia.							
Harlingen.....	23 41	124 85	51 00				
Readington.....		128 50	76 64				
Ne-Shanic.....		123 97	66 00				
1st Church, Philadelphia.....	28 50	32 50	87 00	14 72			
2d do. do.....	56 86	57 55	57 56				
3d do. do.....	150 00	100 75	127 87				
4th do. do.....							
N. & S. Hampton.....	18 15	16 00	84 00				
Blawenburgh.....		170 00	180 25	19 25			
Stanton.....			81 00				
Manayunk.....		15 00	24 00				
Rocky Hill.....							
Classis of Poughkeepsie.							
1st Church, Poughkeepsie.....	16 50	248 90	76 05	12 45			
2d Church, Poughkeepsie.....	66 68	181 81	66 91		21 73		
Fishkill.....		177 00					

CHURCHES	Education	Dom. Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Disabled Ministers' Fund	Ch. Building Fund
Chs of Poughk's, cont'd.							
Hopewell.....	41 47	29 91	65 11				
New Hackensack.....	18 80	19 50	86 20	16 25			
Fishkill Landing.....	109 86		185 61	26 19			
Rhinebeck.....		59 28	106 55				
Hyde Park.....	18 48	18 00	20 00				
Greenbush.....		23 00	45 00				
Glenham.....		15 00					
Cold Spring.....	7 76		20 00				
Classis of Raritan.							
1st Raritan.....	19 17	80 24	83 71				
Bedminster.....	60 00	60 00	105 00	50 00			
Rockaway.....		8 00	41 10				
Lebanon.....							
North Branch.....	15 00	60 00					
2d Raritan.....	72 00	55 00	105 00	68 00			
Peapack.....	15 00		16 00				
Branchville.....	50 00		26 75				
8d Raritan.....		71 56	47 50	25 70			
Easton.....	30 00		52 00	18 00			24 00
Warren.....		8 00					
Plainfield.....							
Central Ch. of Plainfield.....							
Classis of Rensselaer.							
Bloomington.....		10 00	16 00				
Castleton.....			81 25				
Chatham.....		11 00	10 00	10 00			
1st Ghent.....		14 00	15 85				
2d Ghent.....	14 26	10 00	83 00	51 00			
Greenbush.....			5 00				
Kinderhook.....	267 10	308 00	446 87	80 43			
Nassau.....	56 58	66 70	92 50				
New Concord.....		24 60	25 55				
Schodack.....	70 18	42 00	21 65	86 17			
Schodack Landing.....							
Stuyvesant.....	11 70		108 50	18 00			
Stuyvesant Falls.....	8 00	10 00	16 50				5 00
Classis of Saratoga.							
West Troy.....		74 80	55 25				
South West Troy.....		21 25	41 25				
Wynantskill.....							
Boght.....		10 05					
Waterford.....							
Cohoes.....		58 15	58 20				
Rensselaer.....	10 00	10 00	80 00				
Union Village.....	50 50	53 96	119 18				
Saratoga.....	10 00	22 00	60 00	18 00			
Tio-stock.....	6 45	65 00	85 00		5 00	5 00	5 00
Easton.....							
Schaghticoke.....							
Northumberland.....							
Gansevoort.....			5 00				
Jackson.....							
Fort Miller.....							

CHURCHES	Education	Dom. Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Disabled Ministers' Fund	Ch. Building Fund
Classis of Schenectady.							
1st Schenectady.....	87 88	89 88	155 25	87 00			
2d do	5 87	11 50	19 50		7 07		8 00
3d do	18 00	12 00					
Amity.....	25 60	26 87	26 87	8 77			
Niskayuna.....	11 00	14 00	16 00	10 00			
Liasas Kill.....		45 50	45 50	8 50			8 00
1st Glenville.....		28 62	55 00				
2d do							
1st Rotterdam.....			12 00				
2d do							
Heiderberg.....							
Princeton.....							
Day.....							
Classis of Schoharie.							
Schoharie.....		18 98	7 14				
Middleburgh.....	22 00			8 45			
Schoharie Mountain.....							
Berne.....	6 80	15 00	28 00	4 05			
Beaver Dam			9 05				
Lawyerville.....		6 50	4 00				
Sharon.....							
Gliboa.....							
North Blenheim.....		4 79	7 28				
Breakabin.....		4 27	5 58				
Gallupville.....							
Knox							
Cobleaskill.....							
Eminence.....							
Classis of Ulster.							
Blue Mountain.....	10 51	25 00					
Caatsban.....	28 00		86 15				
Esopus				2 24			
Flatbush.....	8 00		14 47				
Kingston.....	84 65	224 89	282 58	8 00			
North Esopus.....	5 00	43 00	53 00	10 00			
Plattekill.....		11 00					
Saugerties.....	185 00	244 05	144 05				
Shokan.....	5 00		5 00				
Shandaken.....							
West Hurley.....		5 00	8 00				
Woodstock.....							
(Wiltwyck) Comforter.....		90 00					
Port Ewen.....			7 78				
Classis of Westchester.							
1st Tarrytown.....	21 18	72 73	87 04	1 00			
2d Tarrytown.....		97 48	90 77				
Unionville.....	4 43	245 87	136 87				
Greenburgh.....	2 43	4 03					
Greenville.....	5 10	14 00	11 85				
Yonkers.....	18 02	86 50	57 29				
Hastings.....		204 40	154 58	55 55			
Fordham.....			88 81	10 91			
Mount Vernon.....	4 51	10 00	48 00				
West Farms.....	24 51	28 60	22 58				
Bronxville.....		81 00	20 00				
Melrose, (German).....		20 00	4 15				
Cortlandtown.....			16 67				
Pekskill.....		80 00					

CHURCHES	Education	Dom. Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Disabled Ministers' Fund	Ch. Building Fund
Classis of Wisconsin.							
Franklin.....					20 00		
Alto.....	14 75						
Sheboygan Falls.....	98						
Holland.....	18 72			3 00			
Oostburg.....							
Gibbsville.....	8 85						
Bethlehem.....			5 50				
Milwaukee.....		19 60	53 50	6 50			
1st Chicago.....				11 55			
2d Chicago.....		17 00	7 00				
High Prairie.....							
Low Prairie.....							
Eden.....		89 00					
North Creek.....							
Silver Creek.....		24 20	60 20				

ARTICLE XXIII.

PASTORAL LETTER.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XXIV.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XXV.

ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Accounts presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Accounts respectfully report, that the following Accounts have been presented to them :

Davis & Gregory, for printing rolls of General Synod.	\$8 00
John Gilmore, for stationery.....	5 85
John McNee, for services as sexton.....	8 00
Committee on Contingent Fund, for traveling expenses of two of its members, viz: Rev. C. Scott, and Rev. D. D. Demarest.....	13 50

Your Committee recommend that these accounts be paid from the Contingent Fund of the General Synod.

A bill has also been presented from Rev. Joseph Scudder, delegate from the Classis of Arcot, for traveling expenses from New York, to and from this Synod, of seven dollars.

As it has been customary for Synod to pay such expenses of that delegate, we recommend that it be paid.

There are present at this meeting of the Synod, ten delegates from the Particular Synod of Chicago, viz: four from Classis of Michigan, three from the Classis of Illinois, two from the Classis of Holland, and one from the Classis of Wisconsin. These delegates are entitled to their traveling expenses in part, according to rule of Synod. The design of this rule was to place these brethren on an equal footing with others, by paying their expenses to the bounds of the Classis of Cayuga and return; and it is therefore manifestly fair and just. According to this rule, the delegates

from the Classis of Michigan	are entitled to.....	\$28 each.
“ “ Illinois “ “	.....	36 “
“ “ Wisconsin “ “	.....	32 “
“ “ Holland “ “	.....	28 “

We recommend that these sums be paid to these delegates respectively from Contingent Fund of the Synod.

All which is respectfully submitted.

J. H. KERSHOW,
Chairman.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to publish fourteen hundred copies of the Minutes of this Synod, duly authenticated, and to distribute among the Classes the number of copies ordered by them, and that the price of each copy be printed on the cover.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be presented to Rev. E. E. Seelye and the Consistory of this Church for their courtesy to the members, and the facilities granted by them in the use of their house of worship for the use of the Synod; and also that the Synod express to the families of this city, their high sense of the Christian hospitality, which has been so gracefully dispensed by them to its members.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod, the roll was called at the close of the session, when it appeared that Elders Bernardus J. Ryder, B. Van Slyck, S. I. Schermerhorn, and Rev. C. S. Mead were absent without permission.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Synod adjourned to meet in the First Reformed Dutch Church in New Brunswick, on the first Wednesday of June, 1865, at ten o'clock A.M., and was closed with singing and prayer, and the pronouncing of the Apostolic Benediction by the President.

PHILIP PHELPS, JR., *President.*

J. ROMEYN BERRY, *Adressor.*

JOHN L. McNAIR, }
SAMUEL J. ROGERS, } *Clerks pro. tem.*

DAVID D. DEMAREST, *Stated Clerk.*

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Presidents of General Synod.

YEAR.	PRESIDENTS	FROM WHAT STATE	PLACE OF MEETING
1794—	Rev. William Linn.....	New York.....	Albany, N. Y.
1797—	Rev. Dirck Romeyn.....	".....	New York.
1800—	Rev. Ira Condict.....	New Jersey.....	Albany, N. Y.
1803—	Rev. John H. Livingston.....	New York.....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
1806—	Rev. James V. C. Romeyn,....	New Jersey.....	Albany.
1809—	Rev. Nicholas Lansing.....	New York.....	New York.
1812—	Rev. Jacob Sickles.....	".....	Albany.
1814—	Rev. John M. Bradford.....	".....	New York.
1815—	Rev. John Schureman.....	New Jersey.....	Albany.
1816—	Rev. Jacob Brodhead.....	Pennsylvania...	New York.
1817—	Rev. Coonelius D. Westbrook..	New York.....	Albany.
1818—	Rev. William McMurray.....	".....	New York.
1819—	Rev. John M. Bradford.....	".....	Albany.
1820—	Rev. James S. Cannon.....	New Jersey.....	New York.
1821—	Rev. Selah S. Woodhull.....	New York.....	Albany.
1822—	Rev. Philip Milledoler.....	".....	New York.
1823—	Rev. Jesse Fonda.....	".....	Albany.
1824—	Rev. Thomas DeWitt.....	".....	New York.
1825—	Rev. Jacob Brodhead.....	Pennsylvania...	Albany.
1826—	Rev. John Ludlow.....	New York.....	New York.
1827—	Rev. Cornelius C. Cuyler.....	".....	Philadelphia.
1828—	Rev. Jacob Schoonmaker.....	".....	Albany.
1829—	Rev. John Knox.....	".....	New York.
1830—	Rev. Wilhelmus Eltinge.....	New Jersey....	New Brunswick, N. J.
1831—	Rev. John Gosman.....	New York.....	Albany.
1832—	Rev. Isaac Ferris.....	".....	New York.
1833—	Rev. Jacob J. Janeway.....	".....	Schenectady, N. Y.
1834—	Rev. Sam. A. Van Vranken....	New Jersey....	New York.
1835—	Rev. Robert Bronk.....	New York.....	Philadelphia.
1836—	Rev. Thomas M. Strong.....	".....	Albany.
1837—	Rev. Isaac N. Wyckoff.....	".....	New York.
1838—	Rev. Benjamin C. Taylor,....	New Jersey....	Albany.
1839—	Rev. George W. Bethune.....	Pennsylvania...	Philadelphia.

YEAR	PRESIDENTS	FROM WHAT STATE	PLACE OF MEETING
1840—	Rev. James Murphy.....	New York.....	New York.
1841—	Rev. James Romeyn.....	"	Albany.
1842—	Rev. James B. Hardenbergh..	"	New York.
1843—	Rev. William C. Brownlee...	"	Albany.
1844—	Rev. Jacob Van Vechten....	"	Poughkeepsie.
1845—	Rev. Maurice W. Dwight....	"	New Brunswick.
1846—	Rev. William H. Campbell...	"	Albany.
1847—	Rev. Abraham Messler.....	New Jersey....	New York.
1848—	Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye...	New York....	Kingston.
1849—	Rev. George H. Fisher.....	"	New York.
1849—	Rev. Jacob Van Vechten, (ex. sen.)	"	Schenectady.
1850—	Rev. Jeremiah Searle.....	"	Poughkeepsie.
1851—	Rev. Alexander M. Mann....	"	Albany.
1852—	Rev. Gustavus Abeel.....	New Jersey....	Williamsburgh, L. I.
1853—	Rev. Duncan Kennedy.....	New York....	Philadelphia.
1854—	Rev. Mancius S. Hutton.....	"	Hudson, N. Y.
1855—	Rev. Ransford Wells.....	"	New Brunswick.
1856—	Rev. Francis M. Kip.....	"	Utica, N. Y.
1857—	Rev. Cornelius Van Santvoord	"	Ithaca, N. Y.
1858—	Rev. David D. Demarest....	"	Newark, N. J.
1859—	Rev. Samuel B. How.....	New Jersey....	Albany.
1860—	Rev. Oscar H. Gregory.....	New York....	Philadelphia.
1861—	Rev. Cornelius Van Cleef....	"	Brooklyn.
1862—	Rev. John Garretson.....	"	Syracuse, N. Y.
1863—	Rev. Talbot W. Chambers...	"	Newburgh, N. Y.
1864—	Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr.....	Michigan.....	Schenectady, N. Y.

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Rev. Selah S. Woodhull, "	1818
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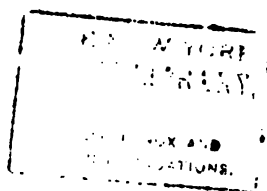
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Formation of Synod.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Synod was opened with prayer by Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., D.D., President of the last General Synod, who preached a sermon on the evening of the first day of the session from Romans 14: 17, "For the Kingdom of God is not meat and drink, but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost."

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

From the Particular Synod of New York.

1. *From the Classis of New York.* — Rev. T. C. Strong, D.D.,¹ Rev. Peter Stryker,² Rev. J. T. Duryee. *Elders*—Sam'l B. Schiefelin, J. I. Brower.

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1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.

2. Dosixthdo.

3. Obtained leave of absence on the eighth day of the Session.

3. *From the Classis of Bergen.*—Rev. L. Mohn, Rev. W. R. Gordon, D.D., Rev. A. H. Warner.

4. *From the South Classis of Bergen.*—Rev. B. C. Taylor, D.D., Rev. Wm. R. Duryee,² Rev. P. A. Studdeford.¹⁰ *Elders*—John P. Elwell,³ John P. Hardenbergh,³ Peter S. Duryee.⁴

5. *From the Classis of New Brunswick.*—Rev. E. T. Corwin, Rev. David Cole, Rev. J. C. Scars, D.D. *Elders*—J. V. M. Wyckoff, David G. Thomas,⁶ George H. Cook.

6. *From the Classis of Raritan.*—Rev. H. P. Thompson, Rev. John F. Mesick, D.D., Rev. Robert Van Amburg. *Elders*—B. H. Horton, B. B. Burniston.

7. *From the Classis of Passaic.*—Rev. J. E. Bernart, Rev. N. Conklin, Rev. C. B. Durand. *Elders*—M. J. Ryerson,⁹ Abraham C. Van Duyn, Jonathan B. Webb.

8. *From the Classis of Paramus.*—Rev. Henry E. Decker,¹ Rev. John T. Demarest, D.D., Rev. John Manly.⁴ *Elder*—David D. Smith.⁸

9. *From the South Classis of Long Island.*—Rev. T. Sanford Doolittle, Rev. C. L. Wells, Rev. Julius Hones. *Elders*—John Lefferts, F. J. Hosford,⁸ A. J. Beekman.

10. *From the North Classis of Long Island.*—Rev. Ira C. Boice, Rev. Wm. H. Ten Eyck, Rev. E. S. Porter.⁴

11. *From the Classis of Poughkeepsie.*—Rev. Wm. H. Phraner, Rev. Joseph Kimball, Rev. Francis M. Kip.⁴ *Elders*—Isaac Riggs, Walter Brett, E. H. Bedford.¹

12. *From the Classis of Philadelphia.*—Rev. T. B. Romeyn, Rev. W. B. Voorhees, Rev. G. E. Gramm.⁶ *Elder*—J. Van Zandt.

13. *From the Classis of Hudson.*—Rev. D. D. Demarest, D.D., Rev. Arad J. Sebring, Rev. John G. Johnson.¹ *Elders*—Stephen Rossman, Robert B. Shepard.

1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.

2.Do.....thirddo.

3.Do.....fourthdo.

4.Do.....sixthdo.

5. Obtained leave of absence on the third day of the Session.

6.Do.....seventh.....do.

7.Do.....eighthdo.

8.Do.....ninthdo.

9. Succeeded by his Secundus Jonathan B. Webb, on the third day of the Session.

10.Do.....Rev. John S. Lott,....do.....seventh.....do.

14. *From the Classis of Westchester.*—Rev. M. H. Hutton, Rev. A. T. Stewart, 'Rev. Polhemus Van Wyck.'¹² *Elders*—J. A. Van Tassel,⁶ S. P. York.

15. *From the Classis of Monmouth.*—Rev. Ezra W. Collier, Rev. William Reiley, D. D.,¹⁰ Rev. 'Samuel Lockwood.'¹⁰ *Elders*—Garret H. Smock, Isaac G. Smock,¹¹ G. H. Van Mater.¹⁰

16. *From the Classis of Arcot.*—Rev. Joseph Scudder.

From the Particular Synod of Albany.

1. *From the Classis of Albany.*—Rev. William Bailey,⁹ Rev. H. Slauson,⁸ Rev. Robert G. Strong.³ *Elders*—Theodore F. Cornell, Gilbert Wemple.

2. *From the Classis of Schenectady.*—Rev. Anson DuBois, Rev. William P. Davis, Rev. Denis Wortman.⁴ *Elders*—Daniel Vedder, John Wagoner.⁵

3. *From the Classis of Rensselaer.*—Rev. Edgar L. Heermance, Rev. Elbert Nevius,⁴ Rev. Isaac L. Kip.³ *Elder*—Walter Ostrander.

4. *From the Classis of Schoharie.*—Rev. T. L. Shaffer, Rev. S. H. Cobb,¹⁰ 'Rev. E. Vedder.'⁷ *Elders*—'Sanford Merselis,'⁸ 'A. Brown.'⁷

5. *From the Classis of Ulster.*—Rev. A. H. Meyers, Rev. William D. Buckelew, Rev. William A. Shaw. *Elders*—Samuel Froeligh,⁶ Edward Schoonmaker,⁹ Luther Laffin.

6. *From the Classis of Montgomery.*—Rev. L. H. Van Dyck, Rev. J. D. Krum, 'Rev. R. M. Stanbrough.'¹⁰ *Elders*—Daniel Groff, John Vanderveer.

7. *From the Classis of Cayuga.*—Rev. A. G. Vermilye, D. D., Rev. James R. Talmage, D. D. *Elder*—Thomas H. Wood.⁸

1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.

2.Do.....thirddo.

3.Do.....fourthdo.

4.Do.....sixthdo.

5. Obtained leave of absence on the second day of the Session.

6.Do.....thirddo.

7.Do.....fourthdo.

8.Do.....seventhdo.

9.Do.....eighthdo.

10.Do.....ninthdo.

11. Succeeded by his Secundus G. H. Van Mater, on the seventh day of the Session.

12.Do.....Do.....Rev. W. E. Bogardus,.....do.....do.

8. *From the Classis of Orange*.—Rev. M. V. Schoonmaker,⁷ Rev. L. L. Comfort, Rev. Hasbrouck DuBois. *Elders*—J. G. Millsbaugh,⁴ James L. Lamoree,⁶ Sidney Kidd.¹

9. *From the Classis of Greene*.—Rev. C. Rockwell,⁷ Rev. Cyril Spaulding, Rev. S. P. M. Hastings.² *Elders*—Frederick Sax,⁷ J. B. Whitbeck.²

10. *From the Classis of Geneva*.—Rev. F. N. Zabriskie,⁵ Rev. J. W. Dunnewald.⁵ *Elder*—J. H. Warnshuis.⁵

11. *From the Classis of Kingston*.—Rev. R. De Witt, Rev. B. C. Lippincott. *Elders*—DuBois Lefevre, P. Crispell, Jr., T. E. De Witt.

12. *From the Classis of Saratoga*.—Rev. Josiah Markle, Rev. John Steele,⁶ Rev. Theodore A. Gardner.² *Elders*—Abram Marshall,⁶ T. C. Whiteside.

From the Particular Synod of Chicago.

1. *From the Classis of Michigan*.—Rev. W. J. Skillman, Rev. D. Vermilye, Rev. J. W. Beardslee.

2. *From the Classis of Illinois*.—Rev. C. G. Vanderveer, Rev. E. P. Livingston,⁶ Rev. S. A. Bumstead. *Elder*—John Polhemus.

3. *From the Classis of Holland*.—Rev. C. Vanderveer, Rev. P. Phelps, Jr., D. D.

4. *From the Classis of Wisconsin*.—Rev. Charles W. Wilson.

ARTICLE III.

MODERATORS.

Rev. Anson DuBois was elected *President*; Rev. David Cole *Adressor*; and Revs. C. L. Wells and B. C. Lippincott, *Clerks pro tem*.

ARTICLE IV.

READING OF THE MINUTES.

The Minutes of the last Ordinary Session of Synod were read.

1. Took his seat on the second day of the Session.
2. Do. third do.
3. Do. seventh do.
4. Obtained leave of absence on the third day of the Session.
5. Do seventh do.
6. Do eighth do.
7. Do ninth do.

Acts of the Synod.

ARTICLE I.

ORDERS AND RULES.

These were read.

ARTICLE II.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The following were appointed.

On the Professorate.—Rev. J. F. Mesick, L. H. Van Dyck, T. B. Romeyn. Elders, A. J. Beekman, S. P. York.

On Synodical Minutes.—Rev. John Steele, W. H. Phraner, J. W. Beardslee. Elders, Ten Eyck De Witt, Frederick Sax.

On Domestic Missions.—Rev. Wm. H. Ten Eyck, Wm. Reiley, T. L. Shaffer. Elders, P. Crispell, Jr., Stephen Rossman.

On Foreign Missions.—Rev. William R. Gordon, C. Vanderveen, B. C. Taylor. Elders, F. J. Hosford, Abram Marshall.

On the State of Religion.—Rev. J. R. Talmage, M. S. Hutton, E. W. Collier. Elders, Theodore F. Cornell, Sidney Kidd.

On Education.—Rev. C. G. Vanderveer, A. T. Stewart, M. V. Schoonmaker. Elders, John Lefferts, G. H. Smock.

On Overtures and Judicial Business.—Rev. William Bailey, J. E. Bernart, A. J. Sebring. Elders, R. B. Shepard, Isaac Riggs.

On the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds—Rev. N. Conklin, L. L. Comfort, Wm. P. Davis. Elders, D. Vedder, J. V. M. Wyckoff.

On Publication.—Rev. J. T. Demarest, E. L. Heermance, H. P. Thompson. Elders, J. L. Lamoree, Du Bois Lefevre.

On Nominations.—Rev. E. T. Corwin, J. Scudder, C. Spaulding. Elders, Thomas H. Wood, John I. Brower.

On Correspondence.—Rev. A. G. Vermilye, Thomas C. Strong, Ira C. Boice. Elders, S. B. Schieffelin, W. Brett.

On Accounts.—Rev. A. H. Meyers, H. Slauson, M. H. Hutton. Elders, Luther Laffin, J. A. Van Tassel.

ARTICLE III.

COMMUNICATIONS.

The following Report was received from the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, was read and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

The Board of Superintendents met in the Hall of the Theological Seminary at New Brunswick, on Tuesday, May 16, 1865, at 11½ A. M., and adjourned on Wednesday at 10 P. M. The meeting was opened with prayer, after which Rev. O. H. Gregory was chosen President, and Rev. Charles J. Shepard temporary Clerk. The following members were present :

Rev. Joseph Scudder,	Rev. John B. Steele,
W. R. Gordon,	Edward W. Bentley,
B. C. Taylor,	John T. Demarest,
George J. Van Nest,	John C. Cruikshank,
Cyril Spaulding,	Gabriel Ludlow,
Charles J. Shepard,	Charles S. Hageman,
John L. McNair,	O. H. Gregory,
E. S. Porter,	Edward Miller,
N. P. Pierce,	C. L. Van Dyck,
L. H. Van Dyke,	A. T. Stewart,
J. A. Van Doren,	Elbert Nevius.
Peter Stryker,	

The following Classes were not represented in the Board: Cayuga, Holland, Michigan, Monmouth, Raritan, Wisconsin.

The term of office of the following members expires at the next General Synod.

Classis of Cayuga.....	Rev. Wilson Ingalls.
Greene.....	Cyril Spaulding.
Holland.....	P. G. Oggell.
Illinois	Edward P. Livingston.
Kingston.....	John L. McNair.
New York.....	Peter Stryker.
Paramus	John T. Demarest.
Rensselaer.....	Elbert Nevius.
Ulster	C. L. Van Dyck.

By the Report of the Professors, it appears that the following students have been members of the Seminary during the past year :

Senior Class.

W. H. Anderson,	W. B. Merritt,
Cornelius Brett,	J. V. N. Schenk,
A. H. Brush,	Fred. E. Schleider,
Peter De Pree,	Elbert N. Sebring,
J. H. Doremus,	Benjamin T. Stateser,
C. W. Fritts,	Selah W. Strong,
Oscar Gesner,	E. Van Slyck,
F. H. Horton,	W. H. Vroom,
John Justin,	T. W. Wells,
P. Lepeltak,	D. B. Wyckoff.....20

Middle Class.

A. M. Arcularius,	George Seibert,
W. M. Brush,	John H. Smock,
M. Kiekintvelt,	George W. Swain,
Adrian Kriekaard,	H. Uiterwyk,
George H. Mills,	Joseph M. Vile,
E. C. Oggel,	A. N. Wyckoff.....13
C. H. Poole,	

Junior Class.

L. H. Bähler,	C. D. T. Steinführer,
James H. Bertholf,	David S. Sutphen,
A. J. M. Bogert,	N. H. Van Arsdale,
James M. Collins,	P. H. Van Buren,
Andrew Doremus,	D. K. Van Doren,
T. M. Jones,	David Van Horn,
W. W. Halloway,	Henry Warde.....15
Francis M. Kip,	

Mr. David K. Van Doren has been permitted to attend on the regular exercises of the Seminary, but as his qualifications for entering the Institution were not such as the rule of Synod requires, he has been temporarily admitted, subject to the approval of Synod. The Faculty recommends him for a dispensation, in the hope that by future and increased diligence he will be able to maintain a respectable standing in his class.

Mr. James M. Collins, of the Junior Class, has been absent from the Seminary for several months past.

The name of William Smith, a member of the Junior Class of last year, is not mentioned in the catalogue, because shortly after the last meeting of the Board of Superintendents he was dismissed from the Institution on account of gross immorality.

Mr. Andrew Doremus, also of the Junior Class, was advised by the Faculty a few weeks ago to leave the Institution, until his case should be disposed of by this Board, to whose investigation it has been by them referred. The Board, by their committee, have thoroughly examined the evidence upon which the Faculty based their

advice, and have unanimously come to the conclusion that, as the violent and intemperate language used by him regarding the assassination of our late lamented President, and in regard to the Christian character of his fellow-students, has rendered him so odious to them, and is so utterly unbecoming the Christian character of any man, much more of one presenting himself for the sacred office of the ministry of reconciliation, he cannot consistently be allowed to remain in connection with the Institution. He has therefore been dismissed.

At a meeting of the General Synod's Standing Committee on Peter Hertzog Theological Hall, in September last, it was resolved to institute an effort for the more complete endowment of the Theological Seminary, as directed by the Synod of 1857, when the Committee was originally appointed with this expressed specific object. The Professors say: "By the blessing of God we have succeeded in obtaining a subscription of \$40,000 from Rev. N. E. Smith, D.D., of Brooklyn, to make up the deficiency in the existing funds, on condition of an additional sum of \$40,000 being secured for the endowment of a Fourth Professorship. Under this encouragement we have continued to press the subject upon the Churches as opportunity has been afforded, until we have obtained subscriptions within a few thousand dollars of the required amount. Dr. Smith has kindly consented to extend the time within which the work must be completed, until the meeting of Synod, when we hope to report our entire success.

The Faculty are happy to be able to report, that by the gift of Mrs. Bethune, a large accession has been made to the library of the Seminary. About 2,000 valuable books have by her munificence been placed upon our shelves, for which we desire, in common with the Reformed Dutch Church, to record our grateful acknowledgements.

The thanks of the Synod are due also to the late Mrs. Dwight, widow of Rev. Maurice W. Dwight, D.D., for a donation of eighty volumes to the library of the Theological Seminary.

The Professors also report that the students, with the aforesaid exceptions, have conducted themselves in every way worthy of the confidence reposed in them, and have diligently made good use of the means provided for their preparation to serve the Church honorably to themselves, and profitably to the cause of Christ, in the capacity of stewards of the mysteries of God.

The examinations having been closed, the Board are happy to state that they have had gratifying evidence of the diligence of the students, and of the praiseworthy care of the Professors to instruct them well in the several branches of sacred study pursued.

Written sermons were laid upon the table by the students, as required, and members of the Senior Class were heard in the delivery of discourses. They were also examined with regard to their personal piety, and their views on entering the ministry. All the

students were interrogated as to their having obeyed the law of Synod with reference to students preaching, and no violations of the law were found.

The following resolution was unanimously adopted :

Resolved, That the examinations of the several classes be sustained, and that the members of the Senior Class be recommended to the Faculty for their Professoral certificates.

At the close of the examination the address to the students was delivered by Rev. Charles S. Hageman.

The term of service of Rev. T. C. Strong, as member of General Synod's Standing Committee on Peter Hertzog Hall having expired, his place is to be filled by the next Synod, to meet at New Brunswick, June, 1865.

In conclusion, the Board express their thanks to God for the peculiar marks of his favor bestowed upon our Theological school.

WM. R. GORDON, *Chairman*.

A true copy.

P. D. VAN CLEEF, *Stated Clerk*.

A communication was received from Abram C. Tris, in reference to missionary labor among the Jews, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

A communication was received from the Classis of Montgomery, requesting a dispensation for W. A. Smith, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

An overture was received from the Classis of Montgomery, asking the Synod to take the necessary steps for amending the Constitution in the section which disqualifies Professors of Theology from occupying seats in our ecclesiastical assemblies, which was referred to the Committee on Overtures.

An overture was received from the Classis of Schenectady, asking for an amendment of the Constitution in reference to the ordination of elders and deacons, which was referred to the Committee on Overtures.

The Report of the Board of Superintendents of the Western College was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

A communication embracing the action of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, convened at Pittsburgh, concerning the progress of Romanism, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

A communication was received from the Classis of Albany, ask-

ing for a dispensation in behalf of C. F. Suckow, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from certain German pastors, requesting that the Board of Publication, under direction of the General Synod, publish the Liturgy in the German language, which was referred to the Committee on Publication.

A communication was received from Hon. John A. Lott, resigning his membership in the Board of Publication, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

A communication was received from Rev. Prof. Woodbridge, in regard to the erection of a dwelling house for him, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from Prof. De Witt T. Reiley, accompanied by a resolution from the Classis of New Brunswick, requesting a dispensation to enable him to be examined by the Classis of New Brunswick for licensure, which were referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, calling the attention of the Synod to irregularities in the election of members of the Board.

An invitation was received from Mr. Johnson Letson on behalf of the New Brunswick Hosiery Co. and the Novelty Rubber Co. to visit their factories.

It was resolved that the thanks of the Synod be returned to the above companies for the kind invitation to visit their factories, and that the Synod regret that the pressure of business renders it impossible for us to accept the invitation.

A communication was received from the Board of Trustees of Rutgers College on the subject of Covenant relations with the Synod, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from Rev. Prof. Berg, asking for relief from the work of instruction in the College, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

An invitation to visit Rutgers College and the College farm was received from President Campbell, which was accepted, and it was resolved to visit the College and also Hertzog Hall at 2 o'clock P. M. on the eighth day of the session.

A communication was received from C. D. F. Steinführer, asking for a dispensation from attendance on the exercises of the Seminary

for one year, accompanied with a communication from Prof. Taylor Lewis, which were referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

A communication was received from Andrew Doremus, asking for his restoration to his place in the Theological Seminary, which was referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

ARTICLE IV.

BOARD OF CORPORATION.

The following Report of the Board of Direction of the Corporation was received, accompanied with the Annual Digest, the Treasurer's Annual Account, the Widows' Fund Account, the Widows' Fund Income Account, List of Subscribers to the Widows' Fund, the List of Securities belonging to the General Synod, the Endowed Scholarships, the Education Fund Income Account, the Report of the Disabled Ministers' Fund, and reports from John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, on the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

The Board of Direction of General Synod regret that they have to record the decease of their beloved and respected associate and President, William B. Crosby, Esq., who fell asleep on the 18th day of March last.

In the death of Mr. Crosby the Board feel that the Church has lost one whose weight of character and assiduous attention to the duties of his office were of the highest value. His matured wisdom, fervent piety, punctual fidelity, and genial presence, have left to the surviving members of the Board sad but pleasant memories.

In compliance with a resolution of General Synod adopted at their meeting in June last, the Board of Direction would report that they have conveyed the title to the ground and buildings at New Brunswick, known as "Rutgers College," to the Trustees of Rutgers College, for the sum of twelve thousand dollars, having first received from the Professors occupying the wings of the College building their written consent to the arrangement made by Synod, and have received one thousand dollars in cash, and a bond of said Trustees for eleven thousand dollars, secured by a mortgage on the premises for the balance of said purchase.

The amount received to the 1st of May last on account of the assessment of \$20,000 made by General Synod in June last, for the purpose of increasing the Permanent Fund of General Synod, is only \$6,785 56.

Church Building Fund.—In accordance with a resolution of the Board of Domestic Missions, there has been paid from this fund the sum of \$3,500 on account of a loan made by said Board to the First Reformed Dutch Church at Hoboken, N. J.

Widows' Fund.—This fund amounts to \$22,942 17. The collections from Churches and donations from individuals during the past year amount to \$942 89.

One annual subscriber withdrew from the fund the proportion of the amount of his former subscriptions, to which he was entitled under the rule, and constituted himself a full member by the payment of \$500.

A subscription of \$500 to the principal of the fund has been made by a layman for the benefit of a pastor.

The state of the fund has been such that annuities have been paid for the six months ending the 1st of November.

There are at present 62 subscribers to the fund and 15 persons interested in it by donations from Churches.

The following Classes were in arrears for contingent expenses on the 1st of May last, viz:

Classis of Bergen.....	\$ 86
Paramus.....	120
Passaic.....	60
Philadelphia.....	40
Westchester.....	70
Rensselaer.....	67 08
Saratoga.....	69 60
Schoharie.....	53 31
Ulster.....	5 67

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The following Classes were in arrears for assessments for repairs on Rutgers College on the 1st of May last:

Classis of Montgomery.....	\$ 50
Schoharie.....	50
Saratoga.....	40
Ulster.....	3

\$143

Any further information relative to the funds entrusted to their care will be found in the accompanying Report of the Treasurer.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN I. BROWER,

Treasurer.

P. R. WARNER,
M. S. HUTTON,
JOHN VAN NEST, } *Directors.*

NEW YORK, JUNE 3D, 1865.

Treasurer's Annual Account.

*The General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church in
account with JOHN I. BROWER, Treasurer.*

1864.		Dr.	
May	11	To cash paid Rev. Thos. B. Gregory, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months from 1st inst.	\$30 00
	12	paid the Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, per John A. Hardenbergh, Treasurer <i>pro tem.</i> , from the Church Building Fund, on account of a loan of \$4,600, made by said Board from said fund to the First Reformed Protestant Dutch Church at Hoboken, N. J.	2,300 00
	14	paid Rev. H. B. Gardiner, for one quarter's appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund to Mrs. Catharine Murphy.	25 00
	28	North River Insurance Company, for additional insurance on Rutgers College.	19 16
	30	paid Rev. Thos. E. Vermilye, D.D., for traveling expenses as Delegate, in attending the meeting of the New School General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, at Dayton, Ohio.	80 00
		paid the following Professors in the Theological Seminary for one quarter's salary, due June 1st, viz:	
		Rev. John De Witt, D.D.	\$525 00
		Samuel M. Woodbridge, D.D.	450 00
		Joseph F. Berg, D.D.	450 00
			1,425 00
June	8	paid Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, per A. J. Beekman, Treasurer, on account of the proportion of the proceeds of the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, for the support of Domestic Missions of said Church.	\$2,000 00
		income from a portion of said estate.	47 19
			2,047 19
	9	paid for insurance on the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall.	112 50
		Carried forward.	\$6,038 85

1864.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$6,088 85
June 15	To cash paid Rev. P. D. Van Cleeef, D.D., for one year's salary to 1st inst., as Stated Clerk of the Board of Superintendents..... \$25 00	
	for expenses of the Board..... 2 00	27 00
16	paid Rev. D. D. Demarest, D.D., for one year's salary to 1st inst., as Stated Clerk of General Synod..... \$150 00	
	for expenses of General Synod..... 47 70	197 70
	paid the following Delegates for traveling expenses in attending the meeting of General Synod this month, viz:	
10	Rev. John M. Ferris, from Classis of Michigan..... \$28 00	
	Rev. P. Phelps, Jr., from Classis of Holland..... 28 00	
18	Rev. A. Mattice, from Classis of Wisconsin..... 32 00	
20	Rev. Abm. Thompson, from Classis of Illinois..... 36 00	
	Elder R. S. Voorhees, from Classis of Illinois..... 36 00	
	Elder J. N. Rogers, from Classis of Illinois..... 36 00	
	Rev. Saml. J. Rogers, from Classis of Michigan..... 28 00	
27	Rev. Joseph H. Kershaw, from Classis of Michigan..... 28 00	
	Elder John Armitage, from Classis of Michigan..... 28 00	
	Rev. C. Vanderveen, from Classis of Holland..... 28 00	308 00
30	paid the Board of Education of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for six months' interest to May 1st, on amount of invested scholarships.....	1,884 66
Aug. 8	paid Rev. Thos. B. Gregory amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months from 1st inst.....	30 00
	paid Mrs. Catharine Murphy, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months from 1st inst.....	25 00
20	paid the North River Insurance Company, for insurance on the furniture and library in the Peter Hertzog Hall.....	45 00
Sept. 1	paid the following Professors for one quarter's salary due this day, viz:	
	Carried forward.....	\$8,556 21

1864.	Dr.	
Sept. 1	Brought forward..... To cash paid Rev. John De Witt, D.D..... \$525 00 Saml. M. Woodbridge, D.D..... 450 00 Joseph F. Berg, D.D..... 450 00	\$8,556 21
7	paid Board of Education of Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for six months' dividend on forty-four shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company..... \$440 00 for fractional amount in stock dividend. 70 00	1,425 00
15	paid Professor Rev. John De Witt, D.D., amount added temporarily to the sum heretofore allowed him for house-rent, being for the quarter ending 1st inst.....	510 00
24	paid the Home Insurance Company, for insurance on buildings connected with the Holland Academy, Michigan.....	50 00
Nov. 5	paid Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, per A. J. Beekman, Treasurer, amount of bequest of Catharine Acker, for Sabbath school purposes.....	18 50
11	paid Rev. Thomas B. Gregory, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months from October 1st, 1864.....	300 00
14	paid Rev. N. J. Marselus, D.D., amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months from October 1st, 1864.....	30 00
14	paid the following persons for annuity from the Widows' Fund for the six months ending 1st inst., viz:	50 00
Mrs. Jane Hunt..... \$6 75 Rosina Stillwell..... 6 75 Maria Rudy..... 18 50 Maria Lansing..... 18 50 Lydia M. W. Sluyter..... 18 00 Harriet V. V. Mabon..... 18 00 Catharine E. Van Wagenen..... 18 00 Ether S. Winfield..... 18 00 Caroline Hoff..... 18 00 Ether Hammond..... 18 00 Mary A. Van Liew..... 18 00 Jane Harlow..... 18 00 Rev. John Gray..... 18 00 R. W. Knight..... 18 00 John F. Ward, guardian, for two minor children of the late Rev. James Scott, D.D., viz: Hamilton W. Scott..... 6 75 John Scott..... 6 75		284 00
Carried forward.....		\$11,178 71

1864.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$11,173 71
Nov. 16	To cash paid Rev. Charles Scott, for traveling expenses, in attending the meeting of the Committee on Contingent Expenses.....	6 00
	paid Mrs. A. J. McNeish, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	100 00
	paid the Minister, Elders, and Deacons of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of the city of New York, per James Phyfe, Treasurer, as follows, viz:	
16	Twelve thousand dollars.....	\$12,000 00
26	Eight thousand dollars.....	8,000 00
		<u>\$20,000 00</u>
	being amount loaned to said Church on their bond bearing date Nov. 19, 1864.....	20,000 00
18	paid John C. Howser, per Miller, Peet & Nichols, amount loaned him on bond and mortgage....	7,000 00
	paid Professor George H. Cook balances due him for moneys paid to contractors, for regulating Hamilton and George streets, opposite Rutgers College.....	46 80
Dec. 1	paid the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due this day, viz:	
	Rev. John De Witt, D.D., including amount allowed him for house rent, as per resolution of General Synod in June last.....	\$575 00
	Rev. Saml. M. Woodbridge, D.D.....	450 00
	Joseph F. Berg, D.D.....	450 00
		<u>1,475 00</u>
20	paid the Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for six months' interest to Nov. 1st, on amount of invested scholarships.....	1,650 00
23	paid Rev. N. J. Marselus, D. D., amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months from January 1st, 1865.....	50 00
1865.		
Jan. 11	paid Rev. R. Ormiston Currie, D. D., amount due him from the Widows' Fund, in consideration of the annual payments heretofore made to the fund, and now withdrawn.....	330 00
	paid Rev. R. Ormiston Currie, D. D., for traveling expenses, as delegate, in attending the meeting of the Synod of the German Reformed Church.....	11 50
18	paid L. K. Miller, Esq., for stamps to Deed to Rutgers College.....	12 00
	recording Mortgage of Trustees of Rutgers College.....	1 25
		<u>13 25</u>
16	paid John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer of Rutgers College, for one year's interest to June 20, 1864, on the Henry Rutgers' donation of \$5,000.....	300 00
	Carried forward.....	<u>\$42,156 26</u>

1865.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$42,156 26
Jan. 16	To cash paid Rev. D. D. Demarest, D.D., for expenses in sending the Circular on Ministerial Support to all the Classes and Churches.....	17 25
17	paid John A. Stewart, Esq., United States Assistant Treasurer, amount of temporary loan at the rate of six per cent. per annum.....	6,000 00
28	paid Rev. John Gray, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	50 00
Feb. 2	paid Rev. John De Witt, D.D., for one quarter's salary, due March 1st.....	575 00
11	paid Rev. Thos. B. Gregory, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for three months, from 1st inst.....	30 00
17	paid Rev. Joseph Scudder, for traveling expenses, as Delegate, in attending the meeting of General Synod in June last.....	7 00
24	paid Board of Education, per F. J. Hosford, Treasurer, for six months' dividend on fifty-one shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company..... \$510 00 for fractional amount in stock dividend. 44 50	554 50
28	paid Rev. N. J. Marselus, D.D., amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for six months, from April 1st, 1865.....	100 00
	paid John A. Gray & Green, for Minute Book...	8 00
	paid Greenwich Insurance Company, for continuance of insurance on house No. 3 Charlton street.....	52
March 3	paid the following Professors for one quarter's salary, due 1st inst., viz: Rev. Saml. M. Woodbridge, D.D..... \$450 00 Joseph F. Berg, D.D..... 450 00	900 00
8	paid Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D., Treasurer of the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall, for one year's salary of the Janitor, to Oct. 16, 1864. \$100 00 for fuel for same time..... 20 00	120 00
31	paid Board of Domestic Missions, per A. J. Beekman, Treasurer, amount from the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, for the support of the Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.....	1,027 56
April 14	paid the Home Insurance Company, for insurance on the Holland Academy, Michigan.....	62 50
29	paid Rev. H. D. Ganse, for Caroline May, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund, for the purpose of aiding an invalid daughter of the Rev. E. H. May, deceased....	200 00
	Carried forward.....	\$51,808 59

1865.	Dr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$51,808 59
April 29	To cash paid John A. Stewart, Esq., United States Assistant Treasurer, amount of a temporary loan, with interest, at the rate of six per cent. per annum	10,000 00
May 1	paid Board of Domestic Missions, per A. J. Beekman, Treasurer, from the Church Building Fund, on account of that portion of cash advanced by said Board, on a loan of \$4,600 made to the First Reformed Protestant Dutch Church at Hoboken, N. J.....	1,200 00
	paid Board of Domestic Missions, per A. J. Beekman, Treasurer, amount from the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, for the support of the Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.....	117 56
	paid Rev. A. C. Hillman, amount of appropriation from the Disabled Ministers' Fund.....	100 00
	paid John L. Brower, for salary as Treasurer of General Synod for one year, to this date.....	\$600 00
	for postage, stationery, and discount on uncurrent funds.....	35 12
	said amount apportioned to the following funds, as per resolution of General Synod in June last, viz:	
	Permanent Professoral Fund.....	\$325 00
	Education Fund.....	205 00
	Widows' Fund.....	74 00
	Church Building Fund.....	26 00
	Permanent Contingent Fund.....	5 12
		<u>\$635 12</u>
	To balance on hand carried to new account.....	8,672 32
		<u>\$72,533 59</u>

1864.	Cr.	
April 30	By balance from last account.....	\$9,210 66
May 2	By cash received for six months' interest to April 27th on bond of \$2,800.....	84 00
	for six months' interest to April 27th on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
10	on account of a judgement of foreclosure against Robert Merkle and others.....	1,000 00
	for interest on the same from March 1st.....	13 42
12	for six months' interest to 2d inst., on bond of \$2,000.....	70 00
	for six months' interest to 2d inst., on \$1,000, balance of bond.....	35 00
13	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
	for six months' interest to 16th inst., on bond of \$12,000.....	360 00
	for six months' interest to April 29th, on bond of \$15,000.....	450 00
	for one year's interest to 1st inst., on subscription of the Collegiate Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of \$5,000, to the Permanent Fund of General Synod.....	800 00
18	for six months' interest to April 28th, on two bonds of \$6,500 each.....	390 00
20	for six months' interest to 21st inst., on \$6,000, balance of bond.....	180 00
June 1	for six months' interest to this date on bond of \$20,000.....	600 00
	on account of interest on bond of the Trustees of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, Grand Rapids, of \$400.....	50 00
4	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on two bonds of \$7,500 each.....	450 00
6	for six months' interest to May 1st, on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
18	for interest on temporary loan of \$11,000, to the United States.....	168 77
	from the following, for one year's interest to May 1st, on their subscriptions to the Perma- nent Fund of General Synod:	
25	Estate of Cornelius Duryee, per Geo. W. Jewett, Executor.....	15 00
28	Thos. C. Doremus.....	30 00
July 18	David W. Wetmore.....	30 00
20	Samuel Smith, Esq.....	15 00
		90 00
6	for six months' interest on two bonds of the New York and New Haven Railroad Co.....	67 90
Aug. 8	for six months' interest to 5th inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
	for six months' interest to 5th inst., on bond of \$4,000.....	120 00
	Carried forward.....	\$14,159 75

1864.	Cr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$14,159 75
Aug. 26	By cash for balance due on judgment of foreclosure against Robert Merkle and others.....	750 00
	for interest on the same from March 1st.....	25 52
	for interest on \$10,000, United States 5-20 six per cent. bonds.....	\$300 00
	Gold premium on do.....	460 50
		760 50
30	for six months' dividend on 44 shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Co.....	440 00
	for fractional amount on stock dividend.....	70 00
Oct. 18	received for six months' interest to 16th inst. on \$4,000, balance of bond.....	140 00
19	from Jacob B. Jewett, Esq., amount of subscription to the principal of the Widows' Fund, for the benefit of the Rev. Charles S. Hageman, D.D., and not to be withdrawn.....	500 00
24	for six months' interest to 27th inst., on bond of \$2,800.....	84 00
	for interest to 27th inst., on bond of \$2,000.....	69 22
	on account of principal of bond of George Scofield, for \$2,000.....	1,000 00
25	for six months' interest to 22d inst., on two bonds amounting to \$5,250.....	183 75
26	from the Hon. Robert H. Pruyn, per Mrs. Jane Ann Pruyn, for the endowment of a Scholarship for the education of pious young men preparing for the ministry of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, the said Scholarship to be called, "The Edward Lansing Pruyn Scholarship.".....	2,500 00
Nov. 12	for six months' interest to October 21st., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
14	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
16	for six months' interest to October 28th, on two bonds of \$6,500 each.....	390 00
	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
	for six months' interest to 16th inst., on bond of \$12,000.....	360 00
	for six months' interest to Oct. 29th on bond of \$15,000.....	450 00
	from United States Trust Company, amount of deposit withdrawn.....	\$10,000 00
	interest on do.....	370 83
		10,370 83
19	for amount of principal of the bond of Nicholas Peters.....	2,000 00
	for interest on the same from May 2d.....	76 60
	for amount of balance due on bond of Jas Kallock and Frederick Steale.....	1,000 00
	for interest on do. from May 2d.....	38 30
	Carried forward.....	\$55,818 47

1864.	Or,	
	Brought forward.....	\$35,818 47
Nov. 21	By cash for six months' interest to this date on \$6,000, balance of bond.....	180 00
22	for interest on two bonds of \$500 each.....	50 00
25	from United States Assistant Treasurer, amount of loan of June 18th..... \$11,000 00	
	interest on the same..... 283 89	
		11,283 89
28	from the Executors of Samuel Gates, deceased, for the benefit of pious young men preparing for the Gospel Ministry.....	188 70
Dec. 2	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$20,000.....	600 00
7	for six months' interest to 1st inst., on two bonds of \$7,500 each.....	450 00
1865.		
Jan. 5	for balance due on bond of George Scofield..... \$1,000 00	
	interest on the same from Oct. 27th.. 13 20	
		1,013 20
11	from Rev. R. Ormiston Currie, D.D., to constitute him a member of the Widows' Fund, according to the rules of its government.....	500 00
12	from the Trustees of Rutgers College, per John C. Elmendorf, Esq., Treasurer, amount of the first installment on the purchase of the College grounds and buildings, as per resolution of General Synod in June, 1864.....	1,000 00
13	on account of interest on the bond of the Trustees of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, Bushnell, Ill., for \$1,000.....	30 00
30	on account of interest on the bond of the Trustees of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, Battle Creek, Mich., for \$2,300.....	30 00
Feb. 14	for six months' interest to 5th instant, on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
	for six months' interest to 5th instant, on bond of \$4,000.....	120 00
	for six months' interest to two bonds of the New York and New Haven Railroad Co.....	66 50
	for six months' dividend on fifty-one shares of the stock of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company..... \$510 00	
	for fractional amount in stock dividend. 44 50	
		554
21	from L. K. Miller, Esq., amount of proceeds of a suit of foreclosure of mortgage against James R. Sharp and others..... \$5,000 00	
	interest on the same..... 637 95	
		5,637 95
March 23	from Jacob Brower, executor of the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, for the support of the Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.....	1,027 56
	Carried forward.....	\$58,650 77

1865.	Or.	
	Brought forward.....	\$58,650 77
April 5	By cash from Bank of New York, for one year's interest to 1st instant, on six bonds of the township of Holland, Michigan.....	42 00
6	for interest to 1st inst., on bond of \$7,000.....	154 00
15	for six months' interest to 16th inst., on \$4,000, balance of bond.....	140 00
21	for six months' interest to this date, on bond of \$5,000.....	150 00
24	from Board of Education, toward the insurance on the Holland Academy, Michigan.....	20 50
26	from Jacob Brouwer, executor of the estate of Wm. Mandeville, deceased, for the use of the Board of Domestic Missions of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church.....	117 56
	for six months' interest to 22d inst., on two bonds amounting to \$5,250.....	183 75
27	for six months' interest to this date, on bond of \$2,800.....	84 00
	received for Contingent Expenses of General Synod, during the year, from the following Classes, viz:	
	Saratoga.....	\$35 00
	Illinois.....	15 00
	Rensselaer.....	75 00
	Passaic.....	100 00
	North Long Island.....	130 00
	Paramus.....	120 00
	South Bergen.....	144 00
	Hudson.....	92 00
	Kingston.....	52 50
	New Brunswick.....	135 00
	Ulster.....	49 75
	Geneva.....	37 92
	South New York.....	100 00
	Montgomery.....	37 47
	Greene.....	48 75
	Albany.....	172 00
	Schoharie.....	20 42
	Orange.....	88 00
	Raritan.....	90 00
	Philadelphia.....	200 00
	Cayuga.....	164 63
	Schenectady.....	40 83
	Poughkeepsie.....	100 00
	Monmouth.....	100 00
	New York.....	340 00
	South Long Island.....	162 70
		2,645 97
	received for repairs on Rutgers College during the year, from the following Classes, viz:	
	Carried forward.....	\$62,188 55

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Brought forward.....	\$62,188 55
Classis of Passaic.....	\$82 48
" " Rensselaer.....	45 00
" " Cayuga.....	30 00
" " Schenectady.....	38 00
	145 48
By cash received for the Widows' Fund during the year, as follows, viz:	
from Fourth German Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, New York.....	\$5 50
R. P. D. Church, Richmond, S. I.....	8 90
" " Market st., New York..	21 80
" " Newtown, L. I.....	16 51
" " Port Richmond, S. I....	31 50
First R. P. D. Church, Jersey City.....	27 50
R. P. D. Church on the Heights, Brooklyn	27 24
" " Jeffersonville.....	2 25
" " Thumansville.....	3 00
Northwest R. P. D. Church, New York..	45 00
Collegiate " " New York..	71 88
P. V. N. Morris, M.D.....	5 00
R. P. D. Church, Six Mile Run.....	19 20
" " Franklin, N. J.....	8 50
South R. P. D. Church, Brooklyn.....	6 57
R. P. D. Church, Gravesend, L. I.....	10 00
First R. P. D. Church, Van Voorst, Jersey City.....	80 15
R. P. D. Church, Astoria, L. I.....	21 30
Miss C. C. Woolsey, Astoria, per Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck.....	50 00
R. P. D. Church, Leeds, N. Y.....	7 50
First R. P. D. Church, Newark.....	113 48
R. P. D. Church, Clarkstown, N. Y.....	13 00
Second R. P. D. Church, Poughkeepsie..	31 76
R. P. D. Church, Millstone.....	15 92
Second R. P. D. Church, Newark.....	15 30
R. P. D. Church, New Brooklyn.....	2 00
Second R. P. D. Church, Schenectady....	7 15
First " " Rotterdam.....	11 00
R. P. D. Church, New Baltimore.....	1 60
" " Roxbury, N. Y.....	6 10
" " Moreaville, N. Y.....	1 40
" " East Millstone.....	9 40
First R. P. D. Church, Athens, N. Y....	8 71
Third " " New Brunswick..	3 52
Second " " New Brunswick..	15 50
R. P. D. Church, Griggstown.....	11 55
Second R. P. D. Church, Holland, Mich..	6 00
First " " Williamsburgh..	20 78
R. P. D. Church, Prattsville, N. Y.....	14 34
" " Queens, L. I.....	10 00
	732 81
Carried forward.....	\$63,066 84

1865.

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Brought forward.....	\$63,066 84
By cash received for the Widows' Fund during the year, \$20 of each amount to apply to the credit of Pastors, as follows, viz:	
R. P. D. Church, Thirty-fourth st., New York, Rev. Peter Stryker, Pastor.....	37 91
North R. P. D. Church, Brooklyn, Rev. Anthony Elmendorf, D.D., Pastor.....	24 80
Second R. P. D. Church, New Brunswick, Rev. John W. Schenck, Pastor.....	22 61
R. P. D. Church, Pekin, Ill., Rev. Uriah D. Gulick, Pastor.....	20 00
First R. P. D. Church, New Brunswick, Rev. Richard H. Steele, Pastor, Twenty dollars.....	20 00
Twenty dollars.....	20 00
First R. P. D. Church, Ghent, Rev. John B. Drury, Pastor.....	23 00
R. P. D. Church, Irvington, N. J., Rev. Henry Vehslage, Jr., Pastor.....	20 00
R. P. D. Church, Metuchin, N. J., Rev. John B. Thompson, Pastor.....	21 76
	210 08
By cash received from the following Clergymen, during the year, for their annual payments to the Widows' Fund, viz:	
Rev. Aaron Stillwell.....	\$20 00
James B. Hardenbergh, D.D.....	20 00
John Du Bois.....	40 00
J. Paschal Strong.....	20 00
John Manley.....	20 00
John R. Brock.....	20 00
Uriah Marvin.....	20 00
James Huyssoon.....	20 00
William Demarest.....	20 00
Chas. S. Doepenschmidt.....	40 00
David D. Demarest, D.D.....	20 00
Joseph Wilson.....	20 00
William Lyall.....	20 00
Jeremiah S. Lord.....	40 00
James Eells, D.D.....	20 00
Wm. S. Heyer.....	20 00
Benj. C. Lippincott.....	20 00
Peter J. Quick.....	20 00
Paul D. Van Cleef, D.D.....	20 00
Andrew B. Taylor.....	20 00
John H. Pitcher.....	20 00
John M. Ferris.....	20 00
Arad J. Sebring.....	20 00
Herman B. Stryker.....	20 00
Henry A. Raymond.....	20 00
George H. Peeke.....	20 00
Carried forward.....	\$63,276 92

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	Brought forward.....	\$63,276 92
	Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., D.D.....	20 00
	Benj. Basler.....	20 00
	Cyril Spaulding.....	20 00
	Jacob West.....	20 00
	Gustavus E. Gramm.....	20 00
	John A. Lansing, D.D.....	20 00
	James R. Talmage, D.D.....	20 00
	Philip Peltz.....	20 00
	Charles Becker.....	20 00
		760 00
	By cash received for the Widows' Fund Income Account, as follows, viz:	
	from Second R. P. D. Church, Claverack..	\$18 12
	R. P. D. Church, Hudson, N. Y.....	30 00
		48 12
	By cash received for the Disabled Ministers' Fund during the year, as follows, viz:	
	Fourth German R. P. D. Church, N. Y...	\$5 50
	R. P. D. Church, Owasco Outlet.....	2 30
	" " Lodi, N. J.....	2 30
	" " Port Richmond, S. I....	25 14
	" " on the Heights, Brooklyn	47 24
	" " Port Jervis.....	25 12
	Northwest R. P. D. Church, New York..	45 00
	Collegiate " " New York..	72 89
	R. P. D. Church, Thirty-fourth st., N. Y..	32 91
	P. V. N. Morris, M.D., Buskirk's Bridge..	15 00
	Second R. P. D. Church, Pella, Iowa....	6 00
	First " " New Brunswick.	41 15
	South " " Brooklyn.....	6 56
	R. P. D. Church, Astoria, ..	21 35
	Miss C. C. Woolsey, per Rev. W. H. Ten Eyck.....	50 00
	R. P. D. Church, Leeds, N. Y.....	7 50
	" " Montville, N. J.....	13 65
	" " Hudson, N. Y.....	10 00
	North R. P. D. Church, Brooklyn.....	24 79
	R. P. D. Church, Millstone, N. J.....	1 70
	Second R. P. D. Church, Newark.....	15 98
	R. P. D. Church Flatlands.	10 28
	W. E. H—, Beekman, N. Y.	30 00
	R. P. D. Church, New Brooklyn.....	2 00
	" " New Lots.....	9 35
	" " New Baltimore	1 60
	" " Roxbury, N. Y.....	6 10
	" " Moresville, N. Y.....	1 40
	" " Middletown, N. J.....	14 27
	Second R. P. D. Church, Holland, Mich..	6 00
	R. P. D. Church, Shawangunk.....	5 00
		558 06
	Carried forward.....	\$64,643 10

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Brought forward.....	\$64,643 10
By cash received for the Church Building Fund during the year, as follows, viz:	
R. P. D. Church, Schraalsenburgh	\$7 00
Fourth German R. P. D. Church, New York	5 50
R. P. D. Church, Metuchin, N. J.	5 64
" " Astoria, L. I.	15 50
" " Franklin, N. J.	6 60
" " Hudson, N. Y.	21 30
Second R. P. D. Church, New Brunswick.	16 52
North R. P. D. Church, Brooklyn.	50 11
R. P. D. Church, Germantown, N. Y.	13 00
" " Port Richmond, S. I.	9 30
" " Middletown, N. J.	10 78
" " Newburgh.	36 00
" " Lysander.	4 00
" " Beres, N. Y.	10 00
" " Leeds, N. Y.	10 00
First R. P. D. Church, New Brunswick.	21 05
South " " Brooklyn.	17 13
P. V. N. Morris, M.D., Buskirk's Bridge.	5 00
R. P. D. Church, Gravesend, L. I.	12 30
Second R. P. D. Church, Schenectady. ..	5 50
First " " Hoboken	30 35
R. P. D. Church, Lisha's Kill.	11 30
" " on the Heights, Brooklyn.	69 50
" " South Bushwick.	11 00
" " Shawangunk.	17 50
" " Easton, Pa.	22 50
" " Centreville, Mich.	12 00
Northwest R. P. D. Church, New York.	59 00
R. P. D. Church, New Brooklyn.	2 50
North R. P. D. Church, South Brooklyn.	13 03
R. P. D. Church, New Utrecht.	30 00
First R. P. D. Church, Newark.	107 00
R. P. D. Church, Huguenots, S. I.	2 50
W. E. H—, Beekman, N. Y.	30 00
R. P. D. Church, Lodi, N. Y.	16 50
" " Pompton Plains.	21 00
" " Long Branch.	5 00
Third R. P. D. Church, Albany.	9 54
Miss Stuart, Chittenango.	2 00
R. P. D. Church, Irvington, N. J.	5 00
Second R. P. D. Church, Holland, Mich.	11 20
Collegiate " " New York.	301 62
Second " " Claverack.	21 63
" " " Newark.	11 08
	1,104 93
Carried forward.....	\$65,748 03

1865.	Cr.	
	Brought forward.....	\$85,748 03
	By cash received on account of the assessment of \$20,000 made by General Synod in June last, for the purpose of increasing the Permanent Fund of General Synod, as follows, viz:	
	from Classis of New Brunswick:	
	R. P. D. Church, Bound Brook....	\$55 00
	“ “ Griggstown....	48 45
	2d R. P. D. Church, New Brunswick	79 49
	from Classis of Ulster.....	184 33
	Passaic.....	150 00
	New York.....	2,000 00
	South New York....	182 05
	New Brunswick.....	237 67
	Hudson.....	415 40
	Orange.....	557 00
	Greene.....	90 25
	Geneva.....	286 10
	Philadelphia	613 82
	Poughkeepsie.....	651 00
	South Long Island...	700 00
	North Long Island...	585 00
		<u>6,785 56</u>
	Total.....	<u>\$72,533 59</u>
May 1	By balance on hand brought forward.....	<u>\$8,672 32</u>

JOHN I. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

New York, May 1st, 1865.

The subscribers, a committee appointed to examine the accounts of John I. Brower, Treasurer, have examined the same with the vouchers exhibited by him, and find them correct, leaving a balance on hand of eight thousand six hundred and seventy-two dollars and thirty-two cents.

P. R. WARNER, }
JOHN VAN NEST, } *Committee.*

3d June, 1865.

Annual Digest, 1865.

The Board of Direction submit to General Synod their Annual Digest, as follows:

FUNDS DEVOTED TO EDUCATION.

THE VAN BENSCHOTEN FUND.

This Fund, as reported by John C. Elmendorf, Treasurer of Rutgers College, and which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages upon property in the State of New Jersey, and invested in United States bonds, amounted, on the 1st April, 1865, to.....

	\$20,313 57
Cash on hand April 1, 1865.....	1,192 97
There has been paid to students, out of the income of this Fund, during the past year.....	1,470 00

LEGACY OF MISS REBECCA KNOX.

The amount of this Fund, which is loaned upon bonds secured by mortgages upon property in the State of New Jersey, is....

	\$2,000 00
Cash on hand April 1, 1865.....	201 86
There has been paid to a student, out of the income of this Fund, during the past year.....	150 00

EDUCATION FUND.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds, secured by mortgages, and in bonds, and on deposit drawing interest, for educational purposes.....

	\$60,000 00
Balance of principal on 30th April, 1865.....	745 98
Balance of interest received to 30th April, 1865.....	1,708 16

WIDOWS' FUND.

Amount of moneys invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds secured by mortgages, in bonds, &c., for this Fund.....	\$21,300 00
Balance of principal on 30th April, 1865.....	1,642 17
There has been paid to annuitants, out of the income of this Fund, during the year.....	224 00
And a balance on hand on 30th April, 1865, of.....	908 78

PERMANENT FUND.

Amount of this Fund, in which is included the donation of \$5,000 by the late Colonel Henry Rutgers for the benefit of Rutgers College, invested by the Board of Direction, on bonds secured by mortgages, on bonds, and on deposit drawing interest.....	\$59,400 00
Balance of Fund not yet invested.....	2,535 56
Twenty-three shares of Bergen Turnpike Stock, ten of which belong to Rutgers College, valued at.....	230 00
Amount of unpaid subscriptions to the Permanent Fund upon which interest is received.....	6,500 00

PERMANENT CONTINGENT FUND.

Amount of this Fund on 30th April, 1865.....	\$1,329 20
Of which there is loaned and invested.....	1,100 00

DISABLED MINISTERS' FUND.

Balance of this Fund on 30th April, 1865, is.....	\$438 92
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BUILDING FUND.

Amount received from the Trustees of Rutgers College.....	\$1,000 00
Also bond and mortgage of said Trustees for.....	11,000 00
	\$12,000 00

BOARD OF DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

There has been invested for this Board, on bond secured by mortgage, &c.....	\$250 00
Balance of interest to 30th April, 1865.....	30 19

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

The Amount of this Fund on 30th April, 1865, is.....	\$8,604 08
For which the Board of Direction holds bonds and mortgages, and judgment of foreclosure on Church at South Bend, Indiana, to the amount of.....	8,579 08
Balance in the hands of the Treasurer.....	<u>25 00</u>

ASSETS IN THE HANDS OF THE TREASURER.

Bonds and Mortgages, and bonds amounting to.....	\$154,629 03
Invested in United States Five-twenty bonds, and on deposit with United States Treasury.....	26,000 00
Bond and mortgage of Rutgers College, for.....	11,000 00
Cash, balance in bank on 30th April, 1865.....	8,672 32
Advances for contingent expenses.....	591 64
	<u>\$200,892 99</u>

MINUTES OF GENERAL SYNOD.

There has been received for Minutes of General Synod during the year.....	\$586 48
And there has been paid for printing Minutes.....	\$579 25
“ “ “ postage and express charges.....	3 00
	<u>582 25</u>

NEW YORK, June 3d, 1865.

P. R. WARNER,
M. S. HUTTON,
JOHN VAN NEST, } *Directors.*

JOHN L. BROWER, *Treasurer.*

So much of the above Report and documents as relates to the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' funds was referred to the Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds, the reports of the Van Benschoten and Knox Funds and the Education Fund Income Account to the Committee on Education, and the remainder to the Committee on the Professorate.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to the election of the Board of Direction of the Corporation. On counting the ballots, it appeared that the following were chosen : Mr. Peter R. Warner, President ; Rev. M. S. Hutton, Messrs. John Van Nest and James Suydam, Directors ; and Mr. John I. Brower, Treasurer.

ARTICLE V.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The following report of Rev. Joachim Elmendorf, delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, convened in Brooklyn, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Dutch Church :

The undersigned would respectfully report :

That, as your delegate, he attended the unusually large meeting of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, held in Brooklyn, N. Y. He was received by that body with marked cordiality and kindness. A glowing patriotism and an earnest Christian love gave a peculiar interest to the proceedings, which throughout were characterized by unity of feeling and harmony of action. The response of their Moderator to the salutations of the Synod was so happy, hearty and tender, that your delegate felt that it was good to be there.

JOACHIM ELMENDORF.

SYRACUSE, MAY 31ST, 1865.

The following report of Rev. R. O. Currie, delegate to the Synod of the German Reformed Church, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

As delegate, the undersigned attended the meeting of the "Synod of the German Reformed Church," held at Lancaster, Pa.,

in October last. He was courteously received and hospitably entertained. Our brethren are evidently taking a careful survey of their position and responsibilities, and addressing themselves in earnest to the work to which they are called. Their cordial Christian salutations your delegate was charged to bear to the Synod which he represented.

R. ORMISTON CURRIE.

NEW UTRECHT, MAY 24TH, 1865.

The following report of Rev. T. C. Strong, delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, convened in Pittsburgh, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

NEW YORK, JUNE 6TH, 1865.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

The undersigned, appointed by the General Synod of 1864 as Corresponding Delegate to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to convene at Pittsburgh, Penn., in the month of May, 1865, respectfully reports :

That he has performed the pleasant duty which was so unexpectedly assigned to him. He was present during five days of the session of the General Assembly, and was received by that body with marked Christian courtesy. The expression of fraternal affection towards the Reformed Dutch Church was most full and cordial. Your delegate, in his address, presented a succinct account of the operations of our Church during the past year, and also endeavored to enforce the duty of the Evangelical Church, in view of the pressing exigencies of our beloved country. Growing out of this address, certain action was taken by the General Assembly, which will be presented to the General Synod for their co-operative approval.

Yours in the bonds and labors of the Gospel,

THOMAS C. STRONG.

The following report of Rev. John Gaston, delegate to the General Synod of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

To the General Synod of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church :

I beg leave to report to General Synod, that I failed to attend the Assembly of the Reformed Presbyterian Church, to which I was duly accredited as Corresponding Delegate, for the reason that I did not learn the time or place of meeting until the day the Assembly convened in Utica, Ohio. I fully expected to discharge the

duty assigned me, but it was out of the question to go so far upon so short a notice.

Very respectfully,

JOHN GASTON.

SAUGERTIES, JUNE 7TH, 1865.

The following report of Rev. John Forsyth, delegate to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, was received and referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

NEWBURGH, JUNE 10TH, 1865.

Rev. and Dear Sir :

I was appointed by the last General Synod to visit the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, to meet in Washington, Iowa, to convey to that body the Christian salutation of the General Synod, and to propose that the two bodies should hereafter correspond by delegation.

It gives me great pleasure to state that I attended the meeting of the Assembly on the 30th of May, that I was most affectionately welcomed as the representative of the Reformed Dutch Church, and that the Assembly promptly and heartily acceded to the proposal which I was commissioned to make. Though the place of meeting was near the extreme western limit of the Church, I was gratified to find that but few members of the Assembly were absent, and I am specially happy to say that the reports of the operations of this branch of the Church in the Home and Foreign fields, during the past year, gave proof of great activity and large success in the work of our common Lord. As, however, the Assembly will be represented by its own delegate to this General Synod, I forbear entering into the details of these various operations, and shall only add that I am, very truly, &c.,

JOHN FORSYTH.

To the Rev. President of General Synod.

Rev. R. L. Stanton, D.D., appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a corresponding delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, held at Pittsburgh, Penn.

Rev. John S. Foulk appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a corresponding delegate from the Synod of the German Reformed Church in the United States.

Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a corres-

ponding delegate from the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church in the United States, held at Brooklyn, N. Y.

Rev. Emanuel V. Gerhart, D.D., appeared in Synod, and produced testimonials of his appointment as delegate from the General Synod of the German Reformed Church, which were referred to the Committee on Correspondence.

Rev. J. B. Dales, D.D., appeared in Synod, and having produced testimonials of his appointment, took his seat as a corresponding* delegate from the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church in the United States.

The Committee on Correspondence presented the following report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on Correspondence beg leave to report :

That the delegates to the Synod of the German Reformed Church, which met at Lancaster, Penn., to the Presbyterian General Assembly, which met at Pittsburg, Penn., to the General Assembly which met at Brooklyn, N. Y., and to the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, have discharged the duty assigned them. They were cordially received, and report these bodies as earnestly addressing themselves to the work which Divine Providence, by the restoration of the Union, has imposed upon the Churches.

Our delegate to the Reformed Presbyterian Church was unable to learn either the time or place of their meeting, until too late for him to attend.

Rev. Emanuel V. Gerhart, D.D., appointed in 1863 as delegate of the German Reformed General Synod, which meets triennially, has presented his credentials at this meeting. As their next session is not till November 28, 1866, it is recommended that the appointment of our delegate be left to the next General Synod.

The matter of most importance referred to your Committee is the following. Our respected delegate to the General Assembly at Pittsburg has laid before Synod, for its "co-operative approval," a resolution of the General Assembly.

"*Resolved*, That the following committee be appointed to act in concert with other committees similarly appointed by the Evangelical denominations for the purpose of giving expression to our desire for fellowship and more vigorous co-operation for the defence of Protestant Christianity against the encroachments of the Roman Catholic Church and its influence in our land.

<i>Places.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
New York.....	Rice.....	Carter.
Philadelphia	Breed	McArthur.

<i>Places.</i>	<i>Ministers.</i>	<i>Elders.</i>
Brooklyn	West	Eaton.
Jersey City.....	Imbrie.....	
Newark	Craven.....	Rankin.
Princeton.....	Green.....	Alexander.
Pittsburg	Paxton.....	McCord.
Alleghany City.....	Wilson	McKnight.
Cincinnati.....	Anderson	Chamberlain.
Buffalo	Lord.....	Howard.
Danville	Breckinridge.....	Preston.
Washington, D. C.....	Gurley."	

This resolution we find to have been based upon certain other resolutions, not officially adopted by the General Assembly, but which were read, and have been laid before Synod, as explanatory of the Assembly's action.

Emanating from the wisdom of the O. S. General Assembly, and sanctioned (as we understand) by the General Assembly which met in Brooklyn, the resolution offered for our co-operative adoption claims our highest respect. Yet your committee hesitate to recommend its adoption in its present form—at least, without some expression of the views and feelings of Synod on the subjects involved. They do so for the following, among other reasons:

The resolution before us contemplates a union of all the Evangelical denominations, for more vigorous co-operation for the defence of Protestantism against the encroachments of Romanism and its influence in our land. For this purpose we are invited to send delegates, both lay and clerical, to a large and important convention hereafter to be held.

Such a convention, so constituted, it appears evident, must lead to very grave consequences of good or evil. And yet no specific plan or measures are proposed, the wisdom and expediency of which we may now consider. The entire subject is given in brief and general terms. All is left to the decision of a large convention, whose want of unity, if they fail to agree, must itself be disastrous; and by whose action the General Synod and the Dutch Church must necessarily be more or less committed.

Another difficulty suggests itself to the minds of your Committee. It is the doubt whether the times really call for such a demonstration; having the defence of Protestantism against the encroachments of Roman Catholicism and its influence in our land for its avowed and only end. We believe Popery a dangerous foe to our civil and religious liberties. Whilst emigration continues, it must increase in numbers and in power, especially in our cities. But we believe Protestantism, with its Bibles and free schools, and mission schools and other appliances, a still more dangerous foe to Popery. Error is temporary, truth is eternal.

Granting, however, that Romanism is encroaching, does the

state of things in our country demand such a form of action, open union against this single foe? Is it such that a movement of this kind will secure the approval and co-operation of the American people as necessary and right, and divest it of even the appearance of religious persecution? May it not be itself a signal to the enemy to concentrate and intrench themselves.

But whilst these and similar considerations lead your Committee to hesitate in recommending the adoption of that resolution in its present form, there are objects for which such a convention of the Evangelical denominations may be exceedingly useful. The success of our war has been the success of Protestant ideas and principles. It has opened the way for new development. It has stimulated to new activity. It has imposed new duties. Leaving the past to bury its dead, the Evangelical Church is looking to the future. It desires fellowship, and the removal of hindrances, for it feels the work to be great.

To this end such a convention may greatly contribute. It can devise plans by which the denominations can work together in new fields, without the collisions of the past, and thus increase the efficiency of the Church. It can collate, from the experience of each, the best practical modes for the benefit of the whole. It can be the harbinger of that union of thought and action, that affiliation for which Christians long, and which should characterize the Church of Christ in its several branches. And thus can it give the Church greater power, while using the same weapons it has always used, in its contests with infidelity and Romanism, the constant antagonists of the Church of Christ in every age.

In conclusion, your Committee deem three courses of action open to General Synod:

1st. To adopt the resolution of the General Assembly as it stands, and to appoint a committee in accordance therewith.

Or, 2d. To await such time as Synod shall have more light upon the measure proposed.

Or, 3d. To appoint such committee, but upon a platform of broader scope than that adopted by the General Assembly, and presented to us for our approval; and which would seem more fully to meet the aspirations of the Church and the signs of the times, as follows:

Resolved, That a committee of five ministers and three elders be appointed, to meet similar committees already or to be appointed from the other Evangelical denominations, in the hope that the united wisdom of all, under the blessing of God, may be able to devise measures adapted to secure greater harmony of action, and promote the efficiency of the Evangelical Church in the work which, in this our day, the providence of God lays upon her.

This resolution is the recommendation of your Committee, and in accordance therewith, they present the names of Rev. T. C. Strong,

Rev. Thos. E. Vermilye, Rev. Philip Phelps, Jr., Rev. James Eells, Rev. D. D. Demarest, Hon. W. C. Bacon, Hon. John A. Lott, and Judge Woodruff.

Respectfully submitted,

A. G. VERMILYE, *Chairman.*

The Committee on Correspondence having reported a double number of nominations, Synod proceeded to ballot for delegates to the bodies with which the Synod is in correspondence. On counting the ballots, it appears the following were elected :

1. To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to convene at St. Louis, Rev. Samuel Woodbridge, Primarius, and Rev. A. G. Vermilye, Secundus.

2. To the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, to convene at St. Louis, Rev. E. P. Rogers, Primarius, and Rev. E. S. Porter, Secundus.

3. To the Synod of the German Reformed Church, Rev. John F. Mesick, Primarius, and Rev. Paul D. Van Cleef, Secundus.

4. To the General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church, Rev. N. E. Smith, Primarius, and Rev. James R. Talmage, Secundus.

5. To the General Synod of the the Reformed Presbyterian Church, Rev. John Gaston, Primarius, and Rev. G. H. Fisher, Secundus.

ARTICLE VI.

SYNODICAL REPORT.

The Committee on the State of Religion presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on the State of Religion present the following report :

In view of the Minutes of the Particular Synods, and of the several Boards, your Committee feel that we have special cause for humiliation as well as thanksgiving. From last year's Report we learn that besides our 439 ordained ministers of the gospel, we then had 53,833 communicants, all of them under vows of self-consecration to the service of Christ, and many under special vows, having been solemnly ordained to church office. With this large working force we entered upon the labors of the year, cheered on by the promises, exceeding great, of our almighty and ever-reliable Helper. Now what fruit has resulted from the year's labors? God alone knows accurately. But is it not sad to think that, while we have had access

to hundreds of thousands standing without, only 2,385 have been prevailed with to come over and openly cast in their lot with the people of God? Several of the Churches report not a single addition by confession, and comparatively very few make mention of any special reviving of God's work.

Meanwhile death has been making serious inroads, removing from some Churches members in unusual numbers, including officers. One Church laments the loss of two beloved elders. The whole number now in communion is only 648 greater than reported last year.

But while we confess with shame our shortcomings as the reason why God has not bestowed his saving grace in larger measures, let us not despise the day of small things, remembering that there is joy in heaven over one sinner that repenteth.

Besides those who have been hopefully converted, many have been seriously impressed in various degrees, and many almost persuaded to become Christians, while those already Christians have been edified and comforted. Much good seed has been sown beside all waters, and when the set time to favor Zion shall come, which we trust is not far distant, the largeness of the ingatherings will be owing, in no small part, to the labors of the past year.

We have special cause for thanksgiving in the great success which has attended the earnest efforts for the more full endowment of our educational institutions. That faith which says, "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me," and works on hoping against hope, has already done wonders, and will be rewarded in due time with complete success. The providential indications are that God has a great work for our branch of his Church to do, and He is making large provision for the thorough training of those who are to be the honored instruments in accomplishing it.

Our Western College, so essential to the growth and prosperity of our denomination in the West, is yet in its early infancy. Wise economy dictates a prompt response to the earnest call for its full endowment.

The harvest truly is plenteous. Wide and important fields, at home as well as abroad, are opened and opening, in all directions, especially Westward and Southward. In the latter direction it is believed that, for obvious reasons, we have less obstacles to encounter than those sister denominations which, as the result of fierce controversies, have been rent in twain. Great is our encouragement, as well as occasion to pray the Lord of the harvest to send forth his reapers. God can, and if we work and pray with the whole heart, he doubtless will help us to find the men for the work before us. Now that the military force of the rebellion has been broken, we may expect that much of the youthful energy of the nation will be consecrated to the advancement of Christ's spiritual kingdom, enlisting cheerfully and fighting bravely under the banner of the Captain of Salvation.

The amount reported as having been contributed for benevolent

and religious purposes is \$195,010 85, and for congregational, \$521,450 41. If to this be added the large subscriptions for the endowment of our Literary and Theological Institutions, the sum total considerably exceeds the amount reported last year, which at the time was unprecedented. We rejoice at this evidence of growth in a most important Christian grace. Not that our Churches have already attained or are already perfect in Christian liberality, but many are evidently reaching forth unto the things that are before, and let us hope that their bright example will, with God's blessing, nerve others also to attempt greater things.

Death has removed from the ministerial rank several beloved brethren, viz: E. E. Seelye, D.D., John Van Vleck, Joseph A. Collier, and Aaron L. Stillwell, all cut down in the midst of their days and usefulness; Elihu Doty, our veteran missionary, who wore himself out in useful and successful toil in the Foreign field, and the distinguished oriental scholar and Hebraist, Alexander McClelland, D.D., formerly Professor in Rutgers College, and afterwards in the Theological Seminary, New Brunswick, the impression of whose influence has been left on our Church, by the permanent elevation of the standard of attainment in the Hebrew language among our ministry. "Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, *do it*," is the providential admonition to us all.

With godly sorrow for past delinquency, and full confidence in our divine Helper, let us address ourselves to the work before us, nerved by the word of promise, "Worm Jacob, *I will strengthen thee, I will help thee.*" "Lo, I am with you always."

All which is respectfully submitted,

J. R. TALMAGE, *Chairman.*

CLASSIS OF ALBANY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Par- poises	
First Albany.....	R. W. Clark.....	290	16	11	5	.....	9	637	16	6	.....	.....	\$10,800 84	\$21,000 00	Albany, N. Y.
Second ".....	E. N. Wyckoff.....	171	29	10	5	.....	1	441	15	4	75	123	2,600 00	3,550 10	"
Third ".....	William Bailey.....	75	7	10	9	.....	4	140	10	3	75	100	822 00	1,450 00	"
Fourth ".....	Jacob F. Nef.....	33	7	1	.....	.....	.....	57	5	.....	19	45	73 29	306 00	"
First Bethlehem.....	H. M. Voorhees, *.....	150	1	.....	.....	.....	4	240	.....	.....	.....	.....	60 00	.....	"
Second do.....	J. L. Pearse.....	85	1	5	4	.....	.....	119	7	1	60	80	450 00	1,218 00	"
Jerusalem.....	A. V. Gullik.....	65	.....	.....	2	.....	.....	63	.....	.....	40	25	72 15	697 00	Fearabush,
Union.....	Wm. H. Ballagh.....	47	2	1	.....	.....	1	38	.....	1	28	.....	14 00	450 00	Union Church,
Cocoyans.....	R. G. Strong.....	80	1	1	3	.....	2	115	.....	6	95	90	357 00	1,500 00	Cocoyans,
New Baltimore.....	I. Collier.....	79	10	1	.....	.....	4	115	6	.....	114	44	800 91	790 00	New Baltimore,
New Salem.....	H. Slauson.....	110	4	4	1	.....	5	199	8	.....	.....	.....	82 68	827 00	New Salem,
Clarksville,†.....	do.....	35	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	37	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	"
Westerlo.....	P. Furbeck.....	80	1	.....	.....	.....	1	110	1	.....	95	40	100 00	520 00	Westerlo,
Onaquahaw.....	Vacant.....	40	6	.....	.....	.....	1	60	2	.....	80	20	2 50	200 00	"
Second Berne.....	do.....	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	99	4	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	"
Holland.....	.....	42	8	.....	1	.....	1	83	12	.....	82	.....	.....	400 00	Albany,
Total.....	Total.....	1422	97	44	32	4	33	2502	89	23	552	507	\$15,122 55	\$33,503 00	

Ministers without Charge.—J. Van Vechten, Albany; A. Dickson, Waterford; S. Kusam, Brooklyn; I. P. Pepper, N. Y.

* Pastor elect † Supplied by H. Slauson.

CLASSIS OF ARCOT IN INDIA.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census		Members in Communion		Communicants				Bap.		C. & B. C.		S. Schools			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families	Total of the Congregation	per last Report	Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Number of Parochial Schools	Total Number of Scholars	Average Number of Scholars	
Ref. Dutch Church, Arcot.....	Andrew Sawyer.....	16	68	49	5	49	5	27	1	96	3	13	5	5	40	1	91	....	R. A. P.
" " " " " " " " " " " "	J. Mayou.....	38	172	128	19	128	19	5	2	31	13	10	10	10	40	4	74	....	401.. 0. 7
" " " " " " " " " " " "	J. W. Scudder.....	41	183	55	1	55	1	5	1	60	6	1	1	1	9	1	61	....	301.. 2. 1
" " " " " " " " " " " "	Joseph Scudder.....	43	184	61	5	14	15	2	1	63	6	1	1	1	9	1	16	....	260.. 2. 8
" " " " " " " " " " " "	Coonoor... J. W. Scudder.....	20	54	21	...	...	...	...	...	50	2	5	1	1	14	6	34	....	231.. 6. 4
" " " " " " " " " " " "	S. D. Scudder.....	21	54	29	...	...	...	...	...	59	13	2	2	2	17	1	25	....	21.. 10. 8
" " " " " " " " " " " "	Palamanair J. Mayou.....	71	273	68	8	5	1	1	1	59	40	23	114	20	20	1	98	....	514. 5. 3
" " " " " " " " " " " "	Satambady J. Mayou.....	11	54	29	...	...	...	...	...	59	13	2	2	2	17	1	25	....	281.. 7. 7
" " " " " " " " " " " "	E. C. Scudder, (S. C.)	71	273	68	8	5	1	1	1	59	40	23	114	20	20	1	98	....	514. 5. 3
Total.....		258	988	291	26	81	61	10	2	278	40	23	114	20	20	16	319	....	2,144.. 10. 11

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. W. W. Scudder, in charge of the Arcot Seminary, Vellore. Rev. J. Chamberlain, Evangelistic work, Mudnapilly.
 Rev. John Scudder, Evangelistic work, Arcot.

* Two Restored. † Restored

CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens		Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
English Neighborhood.	A. B. Taylor.....	...	...	1	...	...	...	77	7	...	14	85	...	\$123 65	English Neighborhood, N. J.
1st Hackensack.....	Vacant.....	85	...	7	...	...	...	126	9	40	8	90	...	279 63	Schraalenbergh, Ber. co. N. J.
Schraalenbergh.....	W. R. Gordon.....	163	4	5	1	...	...	212	8	120	125	125	...	...	New Durham, Hudson "
New Durham.....	W. V. V. Mabon.....	100	...	1	...	...	...	4	122	200	200	360	...	...	New Durham, Hudson "
1st Hoboken.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Jersey City, N. J.
3d Jersey City.....	J. R. Berry.....	150	27	17	5	...	...	165	14	8	250	240	\$1,350 00	11,500 00	Jersey City, N. J.
Ger. North Bergen.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Hackensack, Bergen co., N. J.
2d Hackensack.....	G. H. Fisher, (S. C.)...	80	...	9	...	...	...	76	10	58	13	121	2,131 22	...	Hoboken, N. J.
Ger. Hoboken.....	L. Mohr.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Hackensack, Bergen co., N. J.
Ger. Hackensack.....	A. Schroeder.....	20	14	...	...	...	...	40	9	10	10	60	...	...	Hackensack, Bergen co., N. J.
Total.....	Total.....	595	45	39	7	15	821	69	9	678	455	1081	\$3,431 22	\$11,913 25	

Ministers without Charge—Alex. H. Warner, Hackensack, Bergen co., N. J. R. D. Van Kleeck, Jersey City, N. J. E. S. Hammond, U. Closter, Bergen Co., N. J. Foreign Missionaries—Alvan Ontrom, James H. Bellagh and Philip Berry, Beirut, Syria.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF BERGEN.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Rap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Discontinued	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Bergen.....	B. C. Taylor.....	270	9	14	16	8	818	11	...	200	100	800	\$1,933 95	\$886 43	Hudson, Hudson Co., N. J.
Belleville.....	P. A. Stoddard.....	115	4	1	4	4	171	6	3	130	94	145	361 50	1,101 00	Belleville, Essex "
1st Jersey City.....	H. M. Scudder.....	90	10	21	11	...	193	...	2	120	100	115	3,098 41	3,445 89	Jersey City "
Bergen Neck.....	Vacant.....	50	...	...	...	...	50	1	...	...	...	40	75 00	...	Bayonne, Hudson Co., "
1st Newark.....	E. P. Terhune.....	320	51	23	7	4	463	24	11	225	140	400	4,800 00	4,898 29	Newark, "
Irrington.....	H. Veblage, Jr.....	98	41	4	6	...	145	2	17	90	110	121	452 50	1,839 90	Irrington, "
1st Van Vorst.....	P. D. Van Cleef, (S. C.)	150	6	13	26	...	242	9	1	150	150	175	2,165 61	5,231 60	Jersey City, "
2d Newark.....	M. B. Riddle.....	90	12	1	18	...	187	4	3	125	175	250	275 67	8,567 95	Newark, "
Bergen Point.....	H. W. F. Jones.....	52	5	8	8	...	71	4	2	55	55	86	966 96	2,984 32	Bergen Point, "
Franklin.....	Vacant.....	63	1	8	...	...	63	2	...	90	50	75	144 99	250 00	Franklin, "
Ger. Jersey City.....	Vacant.....	27	4	9	...	...	1	60	...	...	...	13	...	381 00	Jersey City, "
North Newark.....	Jas. Demarest, Jr.....	140	26	21	3	...	253	10	7	450	525	850	1,594 01	3,624 75	Jersey City, "
Ger. Hudson City.....	C. Doernpenschmidt.....	50	15	5	...	...	50	74	...	23	65	125	...	903 02	Newark, "
Lafayette.....	Wm. R. Duryee.....	42	1	9	...	...	39	8	...	40	75	100	100 53	1,565 00	Hudson, City, "
Total.....		1517	185	192	96	1	2250	158	46	1027	1631	2947	\$16,268 93	\$30,423 28	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. G. Abeel, Newark, N. J. Rev. J. M. Bruen, Irrington, N. J. Rev. John S. Lott, New Brunswick, N. J.

CLASSIS OF CAYUGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- erent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Canastota.....	Wm. A. Wurd.....	47	2	1	3	1	1	50	2	1	20	60	\$60 75	\$600 00	Canastota, N. Y.	
Chittenango.....	Jas. R. Talmage.....	80	1	2	1	1	1	80	3	3	60	25	129 63	1,299 89	Chittenango, "	
Clevo.....	Vacant.....	40						36							Clevo, "	
Lysander.....	F. V. Van Vranken.....	53	3	1	3	1	2	44	4	2	40	50	100 00	925 00	Lysander, "	
Naumburg.....	Charles Becker.....	83	3	2	2	1	2	94	4	6	24	6	2 40	120 00	Naumburg, "	
New Bremen.....	".....	20	1	2	2	2	4	24	3	5	5	6	1 10	50 00	" "	
Owasco.....	A. P. Pecke,*.....	100		2	2	2	4	133					165 80	600 00	Owasco, "	
Owasco Outlet.....	Vacant.....	42		1	6	1	2	7	70	5	56	10	86 81	1,571 50	Owasco, "	
Syracuse.....	J. Elmendorf.....	130	5	6	2	1	2	151	35	5					Syracuse, "	
Thousand Isles.....	Geo. Rockwell,†.....	75	1	7	1	1	2	20	2	1			34 50	250 70	Alexandria, "	
Utica.....	A. G. Vermilye.....	25	1	1	2		4	63				10	2,622 72	9,470 00	Utica, "	
West Leyden.....	Vacant.....	9	24	3	9	1	1	20	1		4		7 00	65 80	West Leyden, "	
1st R. D. C. Japan.....	S. R. Brown.....												160 00		Yokohama, Japan.	
Total.....		654	43	44	31	2	20	544	53	12	191	165	\$3,289 91	\$15,195 19		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. James Abel, Chittenango, N. Y. W. J. Bradford, Marathon, N. Y. Wilson Ingalls, Kingsboro, N. Y.
Missionary to Japan.—Rev. G. F. Verbeck.

* Pastor elect.

† Missionary.

‡ Corrected report.

CLASSIS OF GENEVA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Lodi.....	G. J. Van Natta, S. C....	124	6	2	8	...	7	215	5	1	60	70	160	\$745 50	\$1,478 46	Lodi, N. Y.
Farmerville.....	B. Basler.....	100	1	2	2	...	3	148	3	...	...	40	130	224 68	1,185 00	Farmer, Geneva,
Geneva.....	C. Wiley.....	100	3	1	3	...	...	190	4	1	75	80	100	428 88	1,500 00	Geneva, Ithaca,
Ithaca.....	F. N. Zabriske.....	105	39	4	1	...	8	186	6	17	100	130	190	1,224 24	1,740 00	Ithaca,
Arcadia.....	W. K. Turner.....	26	2	1	1	...	...	82	3	1	...	12	75	...	...	Arcadia,
Tyre.....	Vacant.....	43	...	...	...	...	...	70	...	...	...	...	40	70 00	...	Magee's Corners,
Caroline.....	J. Whitbeck.....	40	...	1	2	...	1	39	3	...	15	10	25	90 00	250 00	Slaterville,
Watcoot.....	B. A. Bartholf.....	43	...	2	...	...	1	73	...	...	30	35	40	89 50	135 00	Fair Haven,
Waterloo.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Waterloo,
Buffalo.....	Vacant.....	22	3	4	...	...	1	48	5	...	35	15	40	...	300 00	Buffalo, Box 66,
Pultneyville.....	A. B. Veenhuizen, S. S....	136	12	12	7	...	4	136	27	...	15	60	...	60 00	600 00	East Williamson,
Rochester.....	Vacant.....	110	5	1	16	...	23	213	23	...	23	79	33	915 00	1,348 41	Rochester, Box 2304,
Clymer.....	J. W. Dimmick.....	63	...	...	3	...	...	138	6	...	50	30	40	98 50	300 00	Clymer,
Nim Corners.....	" S. S....	...	...	...	...	...	...	150	9	...	80	10	95	93 00	100 00	Nim Corners,
Cato.....	T. O. Watson.....	30	3	...	1	...	1	31	2	1	20	25	20	33 00	1,250 00	Cato,
Athens, Pa.....	A. F. Todd.....	40	3	...	1	...	4	91	4	2	...	...	60	33 37	908 00	Athens, Penn.
Cleveland, O.....	A. K. Kasse.....	30	5	8	...	...	1	68	15	...	25	30	25	7 00	1,650 00	Cleveland, O.
Total.....	Total.....	1044	69	37	53	...	56	1758	108	23	480	507	1000	\$3,545 37	\$12,844 87	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. R. Van Andale, Magee's Corners, N. Y. Emeritus, Rev. R. W. Knight, Pultneyville, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF GREENE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools — Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
			On Confession	On Certificate												
First Athens.....	C. Spaulding.....	70	4	8	1	...	8	121	8	...	25	35	55	\$230 00	\$223 53	Athens.
Second ".....	".....	80	...	4	...	...	41	41	...	...	14	25	45	15 71	330 00	"
Catskill.....	J. A. Lansing.....	240	10	8	8	...	4	410	5	...	150	250	300	718 15	1,407 48	Catskill.
First Coxsack.....	F. P. M. Hastings.....	157	4	4	2	...	8	38 0	8	4	100	25	150	828 97	1,558 00	Coxsack.
Second ".....	Vacant.....	128	5	1	1	...	1	190	8	...	118	75	125	498 73	846 09	"
Kiskatom.....	C. Rockwell.....	90	2	2	4	...	2	216	8	...	80	30	85	240 00	750 00	Kiskatom.
Leeds.....	S. T. Searle, S. C.....	90	10	8	1	...	3	142	7	2	40	25	100	271 30	1,025 00	Leeds.
Moresville and S. Gibson*	Vacant.....	35	2	...	5	...	2	28	2	1	...	...	40	100 00	...	Moresville.
Prattsville.....	A. F. Gilbert.....	95	4	1	3	...	97	97	8	1	...	50	120	108 80	1,037 00	Prattsville.
Roxbury.....	J. K. Rhinehart.....	70	2	2	...	...	1	77	3	1	40	100	70	200 00	865 00	Roxbury.
Total.....		1085	42	27	28	...	28	1522	37	12	557	645	1090	\$2,708 75	\$8,292 10	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Wm. Johns, Rev. R. B. Welch, Jonesville, Saratoga county.

* Supplied by Rev. L. E. Richards.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND.—P. S. C.

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants							Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd	Dismissed			Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Bene- volent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
Drenthe	Vacant	26	1	4	4	3	83	8	...	62	...	150	...	\$50 00	\$545 00	Zeeland, Mich.	
Grand Rapids	C. Vandermeulen	108	11	7	7	5	113	40	...	100	...	150	...	171 00	1,573 00	Grand Rapids, " "	
Grand Haven	Ch. Vanderveen	100	...	...	...	6	155	28	...	125	...	180	...	400 00	1,150 00	Grand Haven, " "
Grandville	Vacant	96	2	...	...	1	93	...	...	...	...	...	...	45 00	70 00	Grandville, " "
Gratiot	D. Brock	26	...	...	...	6	53	5	...	38	...	183	...	2,169 00	1,860 00	Holland, " "
Holland	A. C. Van Raalte	190	11	23	9	1	9	838	35	150	...	90	...	705 28	950 00	Kalamazoo, " "	
Kalamazoo	J. Vandermeulen	72	12	5	8	...	153	15	...	70	...	44	...	78 35	600 00	Muskegon, " "	
Muskegon	W. A. Houbolt	81	7	3	4	...	49	14	...	48	...	...	...	...	...	Holland, " "
North Holland	Vacant	19	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"
Noordeloos	"	14	...	...	...	...	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"
Overysseel	G. J. Nykerk	80	6	8	1	10	200	21	...	130	...	85	...	367 57	535 21	Overysseel, Alleg. Co., Iowa,	
Pella*	Vacant	268	...	...	...	...	380	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Pella, Marion Co., Iowa,
Polkton	"	85	...	...	...	...	40	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Eastmanville, " "
Wriesland	A. Zwemer, S. C.	84	2	...	...	2	8	122	19	190	...	120	...	1,147 89	1,144 01	Zeeland, " "
Zeeland	S. Bolka, pastor elect	125	9	1	5	...	1	223	15	150	...	...	...	250 60	950 16	"
Total	Total	1216	53	52	65	11	54	2021	200	1023	...	742	...	\$6,014 15	\$9,426 35	"	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Philip Phelps, Principal of Holland Academy, and Missionary Preacher, Holland, Ottawa Co., Mich. Rev. T. Romeyn Beck, Professor in the Holland Academy, Holland, Ottawa Co., Mich. Rev. P. J. Orgel, Professor in the Holland Academy, Holland, Ottawa Co., Mich. Rev. John H. Karlsen, Missionary, Forreton, Ill.

* Report of 1864. † Report of 1863.

CLASSIS OF HUDSON.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & E. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Rabbinical Schools—Average		Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
Hudson.....	David D. Demarest, (S. C.)....	140	8	8	9	5	....	8	224	7	2	100	....	250	\$1,134 15	\$3,000 00	Hudson, N. Y.
1st Claverack.....	Amon P. Van Gieson.....	200	8	3	3	1	....	3	825	9	....	100	20	120	114 88	8,260 00	Claverack, "
2d Claverack.....	Arad J. Sebring.....	130	23	4	2	8	....	1	169	4	9	....	....	170	940 00	1,005 00	Mellenville, "
Linlithgow.....	Charles J. Shepard.....	163	9	....	....	....	....	1	229	3	....	85	45	170	817 00	2,271 54	Livingston, "
Upper Red Hook.....	John G. Johnson.....	153	4	1	6	....	....	3	192	1	1	....	....	150	175 00	815 00	Livingston, "
Greenport.....	Harvey R. Schermerhorn....	80	....	1	1	....	....	3	155	8	....	36	30	80	218 44	2,025 00	Upper Red Hook, "
Taghkanic.....	John S. Hinrod.....	26	8	1	1	....	....	3	133	8	1	....	40	100	250 00	1,000 00	Hudson, "
	William Lyall.....	80	....	....	....	1	....	2	92	5	....	....	....	....	164 00	500 00	Copake, "
	Total.....	928	87	19	21	20	1829	48	13	135	270	940	\$2,572 97	\$18,936 54			

CLASSIS OF ILLINOIS.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants										Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
		Census		Number of Families				Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools — Average Number of Scholars		Religious and Bene- volent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
		On Confession	On Certificate																		
Fairview.....	J. S. Jorlmon, S. C.....	120	3	1	10	...	173	11	...	75	100	170	\$369 00	\$1,520 00	Fairview, Fulton Co. Ill.						
Pekin.....	U. D. Gulick.....	63	5	...	5	1	81	5	1	80	50	164	170 43	8,497 83	Pekin, Tazewell Co. "						
Vanderveer.....	S. B. Ayres.....	16	...	...	1	...	2	1	...	25	...	85	58 00	...	Talula, Ill.				
Burlington.....	Vacant.....	20	...	...	...	...	78	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Burlington, Iowa.
Spring Lake.....	Vacant.....	15	2	...	4	...	30	2	1	...	...	30	...	...	Mantio, Tazewell Co., Ill.		
Karlan.....	S. A. Bumstead.....	60	2	6	2	...	119	5	...	40	20	80	52 00	1,150 00	Karlan, Henderson Co., "						
Bushnell.....	E. F. Livingston.....	60	26	7	...	...	90	8	5	30	30	90	150 00	900 00	Bushnell, McDonough "				
Davenport.....	C. G. Vanderveer.....	30	3	13	...	1	51	...	...	1	19	75	100 00	403 60	Davenport, Iowa.				
Whitehall*.....	Vacant.....	12	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Whitehall, Greene Co., Ill.
Second Pella.....	A. Thompson.....	35	4	4	...	...	35	7	4	12	30	300	65 00	478 40	Pella, Marion Co. Iowa.				
	Total.....	436	45	31	22	2	634	39	12	231	230	984	\$961 43	\$3,343 83							

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. D. Wilson, Fairview, Ill. Rev. J. F. Morris, Bushnell, Ill. Rev. A. Lloyd, New York City.

* No Report this year.

CLASSIS OF KINGSTON.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & E. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Bloomingdale.....	Vacant ..	150	5	2	...	1	5	125	9	...	107	82	\$387 73	\$720 00	Creek Locks, N. Y.
Clove	J. N. Voorhis.....	160	1	1	...	1	1	62	7	...	86	25	102 50	683 66	High Falls, " "
Dashville Falls	Vacant ..	162	2	3	...	1	1	107	7	...	90	25	874 48	1,100 00	Rifton Glen, " "
Galford	R. De Witt.....	100	2	3	...	7	1	124	7	...	20	20	237 57	800 00	Tuffin, " "
Harley	B. C. Lippincott, S. O.....	170	2	2	...	7	1	156	8	...	180	100	625 67	2,000 00	Harley, " "
Second ch. Kingston	C. H. Sitt	112	3	15	...	1	1	237	17	...	100	80	523 28	2,040 76	Kingston, " "
Marbletown	J. L. McNair	175	4	10	...	1	1	340	19	...	240	90	717 12	1,000 00	Stone Ridge, " "
Marbletown	Philip Polg*.....	312	4	...	...	6	1	11	3	...	3	240	170 40	600 00	New Paltz, " "
New Paltz	B. C. Lippincott, S. S.....	90	3	...	...	1	1	118	5	...	40	60	397 73	\$25 00	Harley, " "
North Marbletown.....	Vacant ..	150	5	3	...	4	3	201	5	...	15	20	162 83	653 50	Accord, " "
Rochester	John H. Bevier.....	50	2	3	...	2	2	54	6	...	...	...	...	...	Rosendale, " "
Rosendale	Vacant ..	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Samsouville, " "
Samsouville	Vacant ..	1271	51	26	35	2	23	1537	73	22	632	402	\$6,689 81	11,772 92	
Total															

Minister without Charge.—Rev. J. R. Lentz, Blooming Grove, Orange Co., N. Y.

* Pastor elect.

NORTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTOR	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total new in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Number of Scholars—Average	Religious and Benev-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses	
		On Confession	On Certificate												
Jamaica.....	J. B. Alliger.....	160	8	1	1	3	298	8	2	120	20	225	...	...	Jamaica,
Newtown.....	Wm. Anderson.....	121	2	1	3	3	168	...	...	140	25	150	...	...	Newtown,
Oyster Bay.....	J. Searle.....	68	3	...	...	3	106	3	1	40	80	50	...	...	Cedar Swamp,
North Hempstead.....	Ira C. Bolce.....	70	3	...	...	2	67	10	5	...	...	100	149	...	Manhasset,
Williamsburgh.....	E. S. Porter.....	225	4	13	...	3	363	6	...	200	25	200	1,263	...	Williamsburgh,
Astoria.....	W. H. Ten Eyck, (S. C.)..	50	2	4	3	3	82	4	1	50	24	56	1,375	...	Astoria,
Greenpoint.....	G. H. Peck.....	140	21	12	5	2	219	18	7	225	75	335	894	...	Greenpoint,
Flushing.....	Wm. W. Halloway.....	86	4	8	10	1	118	3	2	50	59	65	1,631	...	Flushing,
South Beachwick.....	C. D. Hartmann.....	80	2	1	3	...	92	2	1	...	170	180	183	...	Williamsburgh,
Lee Avenue.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
East Williamsburgh.....	Vacant.....	30	...	2	14	...	1	45	1	20	20	65	150	...	Manhasset,
Queens.....	James Wyckoff.....	64	4	1	5	...	52	6	2	58	40	55	103	...	Queens,
2d Church, Newtown.....	John Welsh.....	55	3	2	...	...	107	20	1	10	14	34	100	...	Newtown,
Ger. Church, Astoria...	".....	20	1	...	...	...	48	10	...	...	...	14	...	...	...
Total.....	Total.....	1109	62	35	57	1	1760	91	22	913	473	1379	\$6,185	77	\$20,673

Ministers without Charge—E. Atwater, 108 Fulton St., New York City. James Fanner, John Gray, Ghent, N. Y. A. O. Hillman, Williamsburgh, L. I. Guy Talmage, 108 Fulton St., New York City. P. B. Williamson, Jamaica Wyckoff, Lewis G. Bingham, New York.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF LONG ISLAND.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Numbers of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate												
Brooklyn.....	A. A. Willis.....	230	14	37	7	...	3	836	6	3	250	\$7,500 00	\$7,000 00	Brooklyn, L. I.		
Flatbush.....	C. L. Wells.....	130	7	9	2	1	2	201	7	...	150	...	...	Flatbush, "
New Utrecht....	R. Orniston Currie.....	85	...	8	...	...	...	135	8	...	32	...	...	"
Gravesend.....	Maurice G. Hansen.....	95	6	...	1	...	4	118	6	...	45	893 30	8,692 00	"		
Flatlands.....	Vacant.....	72	4	...	1	...	6	118	8	1	80	1,151 18	951 00	"		
New Lots.....	J. M. Van Buren.....	60	10	2	...	...	2	95	11	40	30	474 45	...	"
East New York..	Anson F. Munn.....	60	7	4	...	...	...	121	10	1	60	519 07	...	"
South Brooklyn..	John H. Manning.....	40	1	5	...	...	1	44	5	...	50	1,842 00	11,445 84	"
Middle Brooklyn..	N. E. Smith.....	265	19	17	10	...	7	603	20	4	820	3,700 00	9,780 00	"		
North Brooklyn..	N. P. Pierce.....	85	8	8	...	...	1	133	19	...	38	421 57	1,653 02	"
North Gowanus..	A. Elmendorf.....	225	18	28	9	6	454	8	370	325	471	3,115 15	4,956 22	"		
Church on the Heights..	James Eells.....	210	12	30	13	...	3	890	16	9	804	360	9,245 75	7,630 42	"	
New Brooklyn....	C. Dickhaut.....	83	15	...	1	1	134	13	...	20	24	80	...	634 65	"	
East Brooklyn....	J. West, (S. C.).....	61	2	9	5	...	6	143	5	1	100	631 11	2,500 00	Brooklyn, "		
Total.....	Total.....	1639	126	153	66	5	48	3075	154	16	1538	1439	\$30,063 63	\$52,334 15		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. A. J. Labagh, New York City. Rev. Julius Hones, Brooklyn, L. I. Rev. Daniel Rapalle, Missionary, China. T. Sandford Doellittle, Professor, Rutgers College.

CLASSIS OF MICHIGAN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census					Communicants				Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESSES
		Number of Families	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes			
Battle Creek.....	S. J. Rogers.....	30	1	8	1	55	1	5	1	25	32	50	\$65 95	\$365 00	Battle Creek Mich.			
Centerville.....	J. H. Kershaw, S. C.....	40	2	5	1	76	1	1	1	15	80	30	60 00	400 00	Centerville, "			
Constantine.....	J. W. Beardslee.....	55	14	1	13	66	2	4	4	30	35	100	114 33	723 97	Constantine, "			
Grand Rapids.....	J. M. Ferris.....	20	1	1	1	26	1	1	1	20	16	35	76 06	452 16	Grand Rapids, "			
Jefferson and Pittsford.....	D. Vermilye.....	38	1	1	1	22	1	1	1	45	32	50	23 00	161 50	Sparta, "			
Macon.....	W. J. Skillman.....	36	1	1	2	32	1	1	1	15	60	15	15 25	850 00	Tecumseh, "			
Mottville.....	J. W. Beardslee.....	29	1	1	1	33	1	1	1	23	30	30	8 47	107 69	Constantine, "			
Porter*.....	Vacant.....	13	1	1	1	11	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Tecumseh, "			
South Macon.....	W. J. Skillman.....	38	4	5	4	26	1	1	1	1	40	80	42 95	525 00	Tecumseh, "			
South Bend*.....	Vacant.....	13	1	1	1	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	215 00	200 00	South Bend, Indiana.			
Second Holland.....	F. Phelps, M. F.....	35	2	4	1	25	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Holland, Mich.			
Total.....	Total.....	328	25	22	19	397	4	120	7	145	223	545	\$621 01	\$3,315 32				

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. W. T. Van Doren, South Bend, Ind. Rev. H. Heermance, Rhinebeck, N. Y. Rev. J. G. Tarbell, Alamo, Mich.

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CLASSIS OF MONMOUTH.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-	Infants	Adults	Number in Biblic	Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
		On Confession	On Certificate				munion							
First Freehold.	Ralph Willis.	8	2	...	...	8	170	6	...	50	80	\$1,625 00	\$1,456 00	Marlboro, N. J.
Second Freehold.	Erna W. Collier.	11	4	5	...	1	204	5	1	108	100	1,900 00	1,500 00	Freehold, "
Middletown.	Wm. Kelley.	5	...	...	...	1	140	...	2	...	100	901 10	1,100 00	Holmdel, "
Spotswood.	A. Vandewater.	1	...	4	...	3	98	3	...	30	125	82 00	830 40	Spotwood, "
Middletown Village.	A. C. Millspaugh.	3	...	...	...	2	183	8	1	45	21	150 00	750 00	Middletown, "
Keyport.	Samuel Lockwood.	6	2	9	...	1	183	2	...	25	40	80 00	500 00	Keyport, "
Long Branch.	James B. Wilson.	6	2	...	...	...	73	6	6	40	26	80 00	1,125 00	Long Branch, "
Colt's Neck.	James Bolton.	6	...	...	...	3	73	1	1	40	70	15 00	900 00	Colt's Neck, "
Total.		86	8	18	...	14	934	26	11	828	560	\$3,832 10	\$7,721 00	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. G. C. Schenck, Marlboro, N. J. Rev. Jacob S. Wyckoff, since dismissed to the Classis of Saratoga.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Par- ishes	
Auricville.....	Vacant*	83	7	2	..	1	41	2	2	..	..	100	\$123 87	\$550 00	Auricville, N. Y.
Coughswagon.....	John O. Boyd.....	135	7	2	..	1	99	2	2	..	..	50	25 70	1,743 92	Ponda, " "
Canajoharie.....	R. Van Zandt.....	85	..	..	..	..	115	..	..	..	..	60	..	..	Canajoharie, " "
Columbia.....	Vacant	43	8	1	..	2	65	3	3	22	22	39	27 00	265 00	Currytown, " "
Currytown.....	J. M. Compton, S. S.	120	..	..	..	..	45	..	..	..	..	70	..	..	Currytown, " "
Expirata.....	Vacant*	92	3	4	..	3	140	3	1	80	90	70	..	..	Currytown, " "
Florida.....	J. D. Krum.....	60	..	..	..	..	94	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Currytown, " "
Fort Plain.....	Vacant*	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Currytown, " "
Port Herkimer.....	Vacant*	40	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Currytown, " "
Fultonville.....	R. Wells.....	25	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Currytown, " "
Glen.....	A. H. Van Vranken, S. C.	100	1	1	..	1	48	1	1	25	6	60	147 00	1,000 00	Fultonville, " "
Hagaman's Mills.....	A. J. Hagaman.....	64	4	5	1	1	123	1	1	59	59	110	800 00	870 00	Glen, " "
Henderson.....	Vacant*	50	..	..	..	..	77	..	..	30	30	50	134 10	887 12	Hagaman's Mills, " "
Herkimer.....	J. Petrie, S. S.	80	..	..	..	2	111	2	2	..	..	100	41 00	600 00	Herkimer, " "
Ilion.....	do.	30	..	..	..	1	10	..	..	..	..	25	20 00	210 00	Ilion, " "
Indian Castle.....	R. M. Stanbrough,	29	1	2	..	1	21	5	5	..	..	..	183 00	600 00	Danube, " "
Manheim.....	do.	53	..	..	..	..	75	..	..	..	..	55	22 00	500 25	Manheim, " "
Mapleton.....	J. M. Compton, S. S.	89	7	5	..	1	97	3	3	21	21	..	..	..	Manheim, " "
Mohawk.....	Vacant*	51	..	..	..	..	29	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Manheim, " "
Port Jackson.....	Vacant*	63	3	1	..	2	79	5	2	35	10	70	81 50	803 25	Port Jackson, " "
St. Johnsville.....	J. Kniskern.....	100	2	2	..	4	145	2	2	15	15	100	130 63	782 00	St. Johnsville, " "
Stone Arabia.....	L. H. Van Dyke.....	75	1	3	..	2	95	9	9	18	30	45	15 30	1,161 78	Stone Arabia, " "
Sprakers Basin.....	N. Bogardus, S. S.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Stone Arabia, " "
Total.....	Total.....	1492	85	18	18	20	1508	32	15	153	274	874	\$1,841 10	\$11,340 82	

Misunders without Charge.—Rev. J. J. Quick, Root; R. M. Whitbeck; R. Slingerland, Emeritus, Sun Prairie, Dane County, Wisconsin.
 * Last year's Report. † Licentiate, A. M. Quick, called.

CLASSIS OF NEW BRUNSWICK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
				Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars		Religious and Benev-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses
First New Brunswick...	Richard H. Steele.....	200	92	19	9	....	16	349	5	2	120	70	175	\$1,370 71	\$5,792 36	New Brunswick, N. J.	
Six Mile Run.....	Jacob T. Sears.....	168	8	1	9	....	2	291	18	....	70	30	360	1,194 41	1,250 00	Six Mile Run, "
Hillsborough.....	E. Tanyere Corwin.....	170	11	14	12	....	12	312	9	2	90	80	250	764 41	1,351 00	Millstone, "	
Middlebush.....	J. A. Van Doren, (S. C.)..	71	2	1	14	....	4	118	11	....	60	60	150	450 00	1,150 00	Middlebush, "
Griggstown.....	Stephen Searle.....	60	5	8	1	....	2	125	5	1	45	50	80	530 58	1,016 00	Griggstown, "	
Second New Brunswick..	John W. Schenck.....	114	14	17	8	....	1	237	11	1	57	84	95	895 07	4,446 33	New Brunswick, "	
Boundbrook.....	Benj. F. Romalme.....	85	9	11	10	....	3	143	5	4	115	80	95	863 36	1,150 00	Boundbrook, "	
Third New Brunswick....	Vacant.....	30	30	8	....	....	1	61	8	....	11	15	40	....	....	New Brunswick, "
East Millstone.....	Martin L. Berger.....	75	8	7	8	....	5	123	1	1	78	110	80	400 05	2,395 00	Millstone, "	
Metuchin.....	John B. Thompson.....	66	3	4	....	....	1	126	8	....	....	20	50	265 91	1,631 62	Metuchin, "
	Total.....	1029	112	90	71	....	47	1865	81	11	646	459	1280	\$6,743 86	\$30,162 36		

Ministors without Charge.—Rev. Samuel B. How, New Brunswick. Wm. J. Thompson, Flemington, N. J. Wm. H. Steele, Newark, N. J. Henry W. Brandt, Missionary in Belgium. David Cole, Prof. in Rut. Coll. John L. See, Cor. Sec. Board of Education, Synod's Rooms, 103 Fulton st., N. Y. City.

Candidates.—Marshall Henshaw, John Garretson, Millstone, N. J.

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Re'd	On Confession	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens		Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
{ New York }	Thomas De Witt ...	525	44	43	47	19	1233	23	3	50	840	\$25,000 00	\$7,476 00	129 Ninth St. 20 East 37th St. 70 West 36th St. 26 West 36th St. 206 West 31st St. 605 6th Avenue 25 West 27th St. 333 West 22d St. 215 Forsyth St. 15 East 50th St. 20 West 24th St. Harlem		
	Thos. E. Vermilye, ...	275	58	27	34	9	530	34	13	525	45	610	4,503 92	2,900 00	Mott Haven, West co. 424 Hudson St. Port Richmond, S. I. Richmond, S. I. Tompkinsville, S. L. 143 West 31st St. 231 East 56th St.	
	T. W. Chambers, ...	67	2	9	13	7	841	18	7	144	144	157	50	500 00		
	Joseph T. Duryee, ...	147	25	12	13	3	380	12	5	250	60	440	6,311 00	8,186 00		
	Peter Stryker, ...	190	17	9	10	11	472	98	5	1	160	150	272 10	1,018 31		
	Thos. C. Strong ...	200	81	7	5	1	52	5	1	160	150	250	8,000 00	8,000 00		
	Alex. R. Thompson ...	34	2	1	4	1	77	13	2	200	50	250	250	250		
	Hervey D. Ganse ...	100	6	15	5	1	330	12	2	19	19	30	30	30		
	North-west 23d St. ...	21	1	2	4	1	84	12	5	150	100	135	921 55	2,900 00		
	Ger. Evan Miss. Church ...	70	12	11	9	2	180	20	20	32	130	130	130	130		
	Julius Gieger, ...	160	8	11	9	4	315	11	8	20	82	450	450	450		
	Isaac M. See, ...	49	1	2	3	2	73	5	1	35	30	100	115 00	717 48		
	Mc. Pleasant, 20th St. ...	38	1	2	3	2	21	4	30	20	70	41 03	374 00	374 00		
E. Van Aken, ...	J. H. Stryker, (S. S.) ...	81	11	9	8	2	135	33	8	60	130	164 75	540 21			
Bloomington ...	J. H. Orrer, ...	55	6	9	8	1	84	8	5	150	100	180	4,966 35			
Harlem ...	D. McL. Quackenbush.	2350	285	159	144	63	4377	302	35	1891	770	8857	\$44,809 52	\$43,436 85		
Washington Heights ...	Total.....															
Mott Haven ...																
3d German Reformed ...																
Statens Island, ...																
Richmond, (S. I.) ...																
Jacob Fehrmann, ...																
Huguenot, Westfield, (S. I.) ...																
Fourth German ...																
Prospect Hill, ...																

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. Isaac Ferris, 80 East 19th St. Rev. J. B. Hardenbergh, 68 West 21st St. N. Y. John Forsyth, Newburgh, N. Y. N. J. Marsden, (S. O.) 201 South 5th St. Williamsburgh, L. I. T. B. Gregory, Bergen Point, N. J. A. R. G. Peck, Charleston, S. C. L. W. Kip, Jr., Missionary to China, C. Whitehead, 64 West 35th St. C. M. Jameson, 50th St. A. R. Van Nest, 110 West 45th St. W. H. Miller, 809 2d Avenue. Rev. W. J. L. Taylor, D.D., Secretary of American Bible Society.

SOUTH CLASSIS OF NEW YORK.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Stapleton	Thos. H. Skinner, Jr.	67	8	4	...	4	197	4	...	370	45	\$825 24	\$3,100 00	Stapleton, S. I.
Tompkinsville	E. W. Hitchcock.	110	11	4	...	...	904	9	6	283	50	761 94	...	Tompkinsville, "
South Dutch	E. P. Rogers	190	15	22	10	...	877	12	4	...	...	7,926 43	14,40 00	New York City.
Market Street.	J. O. Dutcher	85	8	30	...	1	300	3	2	...	100	1,114 31	2,493 83	" "
Washington Square.	M. S. Hudson	163	12	24	...	5	483	9	4	300	30	7,114 52	6,507 28	" "
Manhattan	E. Wiggins	60	1	19	...	...	93	11	...	18	22	...	1,200 00	" "
Bushwick	S. H. Meeker, (S. C.) ..	63	14	7	...	4	189	42	2	85	30	826 77	1,350 00	Williamsburgh, L. I.
Union Ref. P. D. Ch. 6th Ave.	J. S. Hartley	148	5	8	...	2	172	15	1	145	187	308 44	8,672 16	New York City.
German Ref. P. D. Church.	A. Berk.	70	32	8	...	4	807	111	...	...	...	...	...	" "
German Reformed.	J. S. Khaugh. ....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
Total	Total	963	96	100	96	20	2322	221	16	1064	432	\$17,631 05	\$95,518 27	" "

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. M. Mathews, N. Y. City. Rev. J. Macaulay, N. Y. City. Rev. J. B. Steele, N. Y. City. Rev. John Alburda, N. Y. City.
Candidate.—Isaac Warner, New Brunswick, N. J.

CLASSIS OF ORANGE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number in Biblic Instruction	Number of Catechu- mens		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Beres.....	James B. Ten Eyck.....	61	9	9	2	2	69	10	...	50	60	...	\$189 80	\$541 50	St. Andrews, N.Y.
Bloomington.....	Hasbrouck Dubois.....	115	4	3	1	1	164	6	3	29	50	120	110 00	2,150 00	Bloomington, " "
Cuddebackville.....	Egbert Winter.....	65	4	2	1	4	154	3	3	23	50	170	127 65	650 00	Cuddebackville, " "
Peerpark.....	Samuel W. Mills.....	135	9	3	5	4	154	3	4	100	...	...	1,117 51	1,899 00	Port Jervis, " "
Ellettsville.....	George W. Bentley.....	129	2	4	...	3	149	4	2	25	25	228	1,118 83	1,371 00	Ellettsville, " "
Fallsburgh.....	George W. Connitt.....	78	2	2	...	1	142	1	...	20	30	70	516 49	1,170 00	Wadsworth, " "
Grahamville.....	J. W. Hammond.....	30	3	2	...	1	66	...	...	25	25	40	600 00	...	Grahamville, " "
Jeffersonville.....	John Becher.....	30	6	4	...	1	65	31	...	5	16	25	12 43	182 72	Jeffersonville, " "
Trumansville.....	do. S. S.....	43	11	8	...	1	114	30	...	23	40	80	11 49	105 00	Trumansville, " "
Mossville.....	do. S. S.....	18	2	1	...	2	17	11	...	...	...	...	1 00	25 00	Tremont Centre, " "
Mamakating.....	John Dubois.....	85	6	1	...	2	87	...	...	15	25	60	50 00	500 50	Wurtsboro, " "
Middleport.....	Vacant.....	100	...	1	...	2	79	...	...	1	35	30	25 00	...	Kerhonkson, " "
Minerva.....	W. S. Moore.....	40	1	9	1	4	49	...	1	175	150	35	831 00	927 50	Montague, N. Jersey
Montgomery.....	Abm. B. Van Zandt.....	175	13	6	...	4	203	9	...	150	100	150	1,445 54	1,445 54	Montgomery, N.Y.
Newburgh.....	G. H. Manderville.....	140	6	23	3	3	264	8	1	50	60	...	2,540 50	2,540 50	Newburgh, " "
New Hurley.....	Law. L. Comfort.....	175	5	9	...	1	140	16	...	100	60	910	325 55	1,765 00	New Hurley, " "
New Prospect.....	Vacant.....	195	3	6	...	9	165	8	...	50	60	175	147 12	470 00	Usterville, " "
Shawangunk.....	Charles Scott, S. C.....	200	9	1	...	2	230	16	4	83	114	160	530 51	1,068 72	Bruynswick, " "
Upper Neversink.....	Vacant.....	18	...	1	...	...	17	...	...	7	12	20	...	160 00	Walden, " "
Walden.....	M. V. Schoonmaker.....	101	9	3	...	4	136	7	2	80	70	100	550 38	2,000 00	Walden, " "
Walpack.....	Upper Gilbert S. Garretson.....	65	3	1	...	3	57	...	1	1	80	90	20 00	900 00	Bushkill, Pa.
Walpack.....	Lower Alex. McWilliam.....	100	9	2	...	3	138	7	2	40	60	100	89 00	800 00	Napanoch, N.Y.
Wawarsing.....	M. Swick.....	103	3	5	...	2	123	7	2	30	100	170	94 28	511 67	Napanoch, N.Y.
Total.....		2033	108	52	54	3	2704	180	21	910	995	1993	\$6,597 80	\$20,514 61	

Ministers without Charge.—Joshua Boyd, Newburgh; Wm. S. Hoyer, Newburgh; Nathan W. Jones, New York City; Henry Merritt, Port Jervis;
 Robert Fries, Stroudsburg, Pa.

* Supplied by Rev. Thomas Larsons.

CLASSIS OF PARAMUS.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants				Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath School—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults		Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
		On Confession	On Certificate										
Clarkstown.....	Peter J. Quick.....	100	5	4	.....	1	165	4	1	53	\$97 91	.....	Nyack Turnpike, N. Y.
Tappan.....	George M. S. Bioavelt.....	130	4	6	.....	4	136	1	1	20	249 54	\$2,104 77	Tappanstown, N. J.
Acquekanonk.....	J. Paschal Strong, (S. C.).....	210	10	8	8	.....	6 321	28	1	30	1,000 00	2,000 00	Passaic, "
1st Church, Totowa.....	Alex. McKelvey.....	110	2	1	65*	.....	8 148	5	.....	50	112 50	1,518 25	Paterson, "
2d Church, Totowa.....	John H. Duryea.....	150	5	8	.....	9	275	20	1	100	452 48	1,400 00	Paterson, "
Paramus.....	Isaac S. Demund.....	180	4	8	1	.....	6 161	6	.....	50	300 00	1,700 00	Hohokus, "
Pascack.....	John T. Demarest.....	170	3	.....	.....	2	80	2	.....	40	53 67	.....	Pascack, "
Saddle River.....	John Manly.....	85	3	.....	.....	.....	130	5	3	25	50 00	.....	Monsey, N. Y.
Ramapo.....	William Demarest.....	58	2	3	.....	.....	55	6	.....	20	72 46	.....	Suffern, "
West New Hempstead.....	John R. Brock.....	23	3	8	56	1	50 38	1	.....	.....	168 44	640 81	Spring Valley, "
Warwick.....	Ferdinand H. Vanderveer.....	180	5	2	6	.....	4 91	3	3	.....	168 00	.....	Warwick, "
Nyack.....	Uriah Marvin.....	145	7	3	1	.....	2 250	8	4	175	800 00	350 00	Nyack, "
Piermont.....	Henry R. Decker.....	166	.....	.....	.....	2	75	1	.....	40	757 28	757 28	Piermont, "
1st Holland Ch., Paterson.....	James Haysmon.....	115	98	9	2	.....	4 128	19	5	50	84 40	879 55	Paterson, N. J.
Holland Ch. I. Idl.....	W. C. Wust.....	58	43	5	59	1	94	57	3	40	41 43	873 23	Lodi, "
Broadway Ch., Paterson.....	Vacant.....	56	62	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	46 42	805 32	Paterson, "
Total.....	Total.....	1637	134	109	297	1	2154	179	91	815	\$3,778 02	\$12,619 21	

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Isaac D. Cole, Tappanstown, N. Y. *Candidates*.—O. Haesedarth, Nyack, N. Y. Thomas S. Dusenberry, Warwick, N. Y.

* To constitute Broadway Church of Paterson.

CLASSIS OF PASSAIC.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults		Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
Boardville, (M. S.).....	J. E. Bernart, Miss.....	80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	10	50	\$55 00	.....	Pompton, N. J.
Fairfield.....	J. Wilson.....	90	1	...	...	...	...	171	8	...	50	40	110	50 00	.....	Little Falls, "
Little Falls.....	J. C. Craftsbank.....	60	3	2	6	...	...	93	4	...	20	20	70	150 00	\$50 00	Boonton, "
Montville.....	N. Conklin.....	137	4	7	5	...	...	159	2	6	60	40	100	453 25	1,050 00	Pompton Plains, "
Pompton Plains.....	J. P. Harris, S. C.).....	184	7	3	2	...	...	204	9	4	120	50	180	447 15	950 00	Pompton, "
Pompton.....	J. N. Jansen.....	125	12	9	...	...	...	179	6	3	25	20	150	552 40	1,221 68	Pompton, "
Ponds.....	R. V. Collins.....	80	...	...	...	...	...	64	14	...	18	50	80	...	300 00	Pateron, "
Breakness.....	C. B. Durand.....	100	2	1	1	...	...	66	8	...	60	...	70	75 00	565 00	Bloomfield, "
Stone House Plains.....	P. S. Talmage.....	90	5	...	...	...	...	100	7	1	...	...	95	...	...	Godwinville, "
Wyckoff.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	Total.....	806	84	15	10	...	...	17	1069	58	10	358	230	\$1,787 88	\$4,186 68	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. James Demarest, Pompton, N. J. Rev. A. G. Ryerson, Paterson, N. J.

CLASSIS OF PHILADELPHIA.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate												
Harlingen	J. Gardner	160	3	4	3	3	213	15	2	60	.....	250	\$623 00	\$ 370 51	Harlingen, N. J.
Readington	J. Van Liew	180	5	1	5	5	224	19	2	.....	.....	200	811 49	11,000 00	Readington, "
Ne-Shanic	G. Ludlow	185	1	6	5	1	226	12	2	60	.....	240	1,200 00	900 00	Ne-Shanic, Pa.
1st Philadelphia	J. H. Suddam	130	7	15	.....	3	436	10	2	75	85	250	1,450 23	.....	Philad-elphia, "
2d	T. D. W. Talmage	281	5	10	4	.....	292	5	1	200	500	750	3,603 00	9,250 00	"
3d	Vacant	100	4	.....	1	3	202	5	1	200	150	160	1,976 00	4,825 00	"
N. & S. Hampton	A. O. Halsey	100	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Richboro, Pa.
Blawenburgh	T. B. Roney	100	7	3	3	3	189	5	2	50	100	.....	751 41	1,900 00	Blawenburgh, N. J.
Stanton	H. Doollittle	65	4	3	3	6	171	3	3	70	.....	.....	.....	.....	Stanton, "
Manayunk	Vacant .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Rocky Hill	M. L. Schenck	75	4	3	5	1	62	7	.....	.....	45	70	150 00	843 00	Rocky Hill, "
4th Philadelphia	G. E. Gramm	92	49	.....	.....	.....	185	63	.....	22	50	800	20 00	996 50	Philadelphia, Pa.
Clover Hill	W. E. Voorhees	60	5	9	.....	2	73	5	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	.....	Clover Hill, N. J.
Addisville	G. D. Bodine	83	10	122	7	.....	125	5	6	.....	35	150	323 93	800 00	"
Total	Total	1511	104	175	43	1	2106	155	22	1057	965	2400	\$10,557 06	\$34,784 01		

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. John Talmage, Milleden, Amoy, China. Rev. Charles Collins, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. C. R. Week. Rev. W. Fulton.

CLASSIS OF POUGHKEEPSIE.—P. S. N. Y.

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CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census				Communicants				Bap.		C. & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Number of Families		Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instructions	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
1st Poughkeepsie	Geo. M. McKee	188	6	5	5	2	...	9	317	6	...	...	170	129	\$3,112 88	...	Poughkeepsie.
2d "	C. S. Hageman, S. C.	110	10	6	6	6	...	...	109	5	...	...	100	120	2,700 51	...	"
Fishkill	Francis M. Kip	85	16	2	1	...	...	5	200	5	...	...	100	29	568 80	...	Fishkill.
Hopewell	Oliver E. Cobb	130	8	1	3	1	...	5	20	5	...	...	40	20	697 13	...	Adrian.
New Hackensack	Cornelius Van Cleef	115	23	2	2	1	...	1	252	3	...	...	...	120	243 10	...	New Hackensack.
Fishkill on the Hudson	Joseph Kimball	102	1	3	5	5	...	3	146	...	...	...	...	115	679 90	...	Fishkill on the Hudson.
Rhinebeck	Hemph R. Timlow	180	23	2	2	...	...	5	252	4	...	...	100	180	650 00	...	Rhinebeck.
Hyde Park	Henry Dater	85	5	6	6	2	...	5	164	8	...	...	...	60	183 60	...	Hyde Park.
Greenbush	P. M. Bogardus	60	12	...	...	9	...	...	72	3	...	...	16	65	2 1 00	...	Pine Plains.
Glenham	Vacant	22	4	...	...	1	...	1	31	...	...	...	25	40	140 00	...	Glenham.
Cold Spring	William H. Phraner	40	3	10	1	...	...	...	81	...	...	...	...	50	109 66	...	Cold Spring.
Total	Total	1147	59	87	24	2	2	84	1979	49	17	840	880	1147	\$9,329 75	\$1,100 00	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. S. Van Vechten, Fishkill. Rev. Herman Vedder, Pine Plains. Rev. W. A. Cornell, Poughkeepsie. Rev. C. D. Rice, Poughkeepsie. C. R. V. Romondt, Washington, D. C. Rev. J. L. Zabracke, Washington Post Office, Dutchess County.

CLASSIS OF RARITAN.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS		
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses
			On Confession	On Certificate												
1st Raritan	Abraham Messler,	206	10	4	7	12	458	8	2	80	250	250	\$595 00	1,020 00	Somerville, N. J.	
Bedminster	Wm Brush	135	7	1	5	4	220	7	1	60	230	230	.....	.....	Pluckamin, "
Rockaway	Vacant .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	White House, "
Lebanon	Robert Van Amburg,	260	2	4	.....	2	220	.....	.....	30	275	275	.....	.....	Lebanon, "
North Branch	P. M. Doolittle	98	19	1	1	2	125	8	1	30	40	50	274 19	7,025 97	North Branch, "	
2d Raritan	J. F. Mesick, S. C.	150	17	14	21	3	353	5	5	100	200	200	1,169 02	1,300 00	Somerville, "	
Peapack	H. P. Thompson,	164	7	6	6	3	176	20	3	75	70	140	240 00	1,300 00	Peapack, "	
Branchville	Wm. Pitcher	100	6	1	9	5	140	7	2	50	60	120	378 49	.....	South Branch, "
4th Raritan	James Leffere	106	6	10	8	.....	230	9	2	125	100	100	400 00	1,500 00	Raritan, "
Easton	C. H. Edgar,	45	3	3	3	.....	68	8	.....	45	45	45	450 00	1,500 00	Raritan, Pa.
Warren	Vacant .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Easton, Pa.
Plainfield	Vacant	24	6	2	.....	.....	40	16	1	16	16	16	4 85	66 00	Plainfield, N. J.
Central Plainfield,	John Simonsen	30	6	9	.....	.....	42	1	2	26	19	67	63 70	1,710 00	Plainfield, "
Total.		1195	67	56	60	31	2072	89	15	640	805	1577	\$3,559 25	\$5,712 97		

Ministries without Charge.—John Van Der Veer, Easton, Pa. James A. H. Cornell, New Baltimore, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF RENSSELAER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C. & B. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate												
Bloomington.....	J. A. Staats.....	80	6	4	2	2	56	5	2	20	5	\$115 00	\$127 00	Albany, N. Y.		
Castleton.....	E. L. Heermance.....	135	4	4	8	3	141	139	5	2	.....	170 00	29 50	Castleton, "	
Chatham.....	C. S. Mead.....	120	4	1	1	1	139	139	5	2	.....	275 00	1,930 00	Chatham 4 Corners, "	
1-4th-st.....	J. B. Drury.....	42	1	2	1	2	62	62	2	.....	16	169 00	1,475 00	Ghent, "	
24th-st.....	J. H. Van Woert.....	125	4	1	2	10	135	135	10	2	40	40	455 00	850 00	Hudson, "	
Gree bush.....	P. Q. Wilson.....	140	9	8	1	1	150	150	6	3	25	25	100 00	1,900 00	East Greenbush, "	
Kinderhook.....	E. A. Collier.....	240	8	11	10	5	311	311	6	1	68	100	1,229 23	2,798 85	Kinderhook, "	
Nassau.....	J. H. Jones.....	140	5	2	1	3	278	278	6	3	50	40	1,255 70	1,113 33	Nassau, "	
New Concord.....	D. A. Joyner.....	40	1	1	1	1	60	60	4	.....	32	10	80 50	1,04 53	East Chatham, "
Schooduck.....	R. P. Snyder.....	174	1	4	3	4	160	160	9	.....	.....	.....	599 49	1,278 00	Schooduck Landing, "
Suyvesant.....	E. Nevins.....	110	1	2	1	1	109	109	4	.....	.....	25	642 42	674 74	Suyvesant, "
Suyvesant Falls.....	Isaac L. Kip.....	50	6	4	1	1	64	64	.....	1	50	25	.....	710 00	Suyvesant Falls, "
Total.....	Total.....	1396	51	35	31	35	1650	1650	61	14	275	331	\$5,721 84	\$17,516 45		

Minister without Charge.—Rev. Eliza D. Bates, Catskill, N. Y. *Suspended*.—E. P. Simpson, Castleton, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF SARATOGA.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & E. C.		Sabbath School— Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
West Troy.....	O. H. Gregory.....	112	3	9	4	...	2	241	2	1	...	40	\$550 00	\$1,500 00	West Troy, N. Y.
South West Troy.....	J. S. Wyckoff.....	95	2	1	...	...	2	154	3	...	...	...	200 00	1,050 00	do.
Wynantskill.....	Vacant.....	86	2	...	3	...	...	40	...	...	...	...	112 50	931 50	Wynantskill,
Boght.....	H. A. Raymond.....	52	...	3	...	...	...	61	...	...	...	15	62 77	401 50	Cohoes,
Rensselaer.....	do.....	25	...	...	...	...	1	86	...	...	...	...	6 50	426 00	do.
Waterford.....	Vacant.....	85	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Waterford,
Cohoes.....	C. N. Waldron, S. C.....	140	9	7	...	...	5	289	10	1	...	30	1,004 28	2,400 00	Cohoes,
Union Village.....	John Steele.....	80	1	1	9	...	1	116	...	...	...	20	829 00	1,150 00	Greenwich,
Saratoga.....	A. G. Lansing.....	109	1	1	4	...	3	180	2	5	...	250	244 00	1,500 00	Schenyerville,
Thurslock.....	T. A. Gardner.....	45	5	6	...	...	8	76	4	...	15	45	140 00	744 00	Buskirk's Bridge,
Easton.....	A. G. Cochran.....	30	...	...	4	...	...	48	...	...	...	...	500 00	500 00	Easton,
Schaghticoke.....	George White.....	40	2	...	...	...	...	50	...	...	...	...	75 00	1,200 00	Schaghticoke,
Northumberland.....	Josiah Markle.....	55	1	1	...	1	2	47	...	1	...	90	184 29	715 00	Bacon Hill,
Ganessvoort.....	do.....	31	2	...	...	...	...	32	...	2	...	25	60 00	299 07	...
Jackson.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fort Miller.....	Vacant.....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total.....	Total.....	885	35	23	37	1	23	1370	18	14	90	392	\$3,063 29	\$12,877 07	...

Ministers without Charge.—C. Van Santvoord, Chaplain U. S. A., Louisville, Ky.; John Smith, Troy.

*Pastor elect.

CLASSIS OF SCHENECTADY.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Communicants					Bap.		C. & R. C.		Number of Scholars—Average	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
		Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Communion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechumens	Number in Riblical Instruction	Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Congregational Purposes	
		On Confession	On Certificate											N. Y.
1st Schenectady	D. Wortman	15	4	...	...	1	400	5	...	...	200	\$1,020 00	\$10,300 00	Schenectady, "
2d do	A. Dulko	4	0	...	...	...	112	4	1	50	20	117 00	1,600 00	do "
3d do	W. F. Schwik	18	...	11	7	4	212	48	1	12	33	107 00	1,010 00	do "
1st Glenville	J. Minor	10	6	5	...	...	219	13	1	75	73	150	1,145 00	Glenville, "
2d do	F. F. Wilson	15	0	...	...	...	...	8	3	...	75	209	...	Scotia, "
3d do	J. C. Lowe	18	1	2	...	...	87	5	1	...	120	50 00	650 00	Hoffman's Ferry, "
1st Rotterdam	R. L. Schoonmaker	31	4	...	...	...	127	7	2	20	30	100 00	800 00	Schenectady, "
2d do	W. P. Davis	20	...	2	1	2	278	25	1	250	50	318 00	1,000 00	Guilderland Cen., "
3d do	W. G. E. See	2	1	2	...	...	1	117	2	25	60	2 50	1,150 00	Vischer's Ferry, "
Amity	J. A. DeBaun	2	3	5	...	...	155	4	1	100	60	180 00	600 00	Nickayuna, "
Lisbas Kill	do	3	3	5	2	3	140	0	2	90	50	250 00	794 00	do "
Princeton	J. H. Rickett, S. S.	1	2	3	2	2	66	7	1	...	...	...	400 00	Dunnville, "
Day	Vacant .....	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	"
Total	Total	71	25	36	12	25	1914	125	13	627	418	\$2,635 00	\$19,499 00	

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. G. Duryea; Rev. A. Switz; Rev. P. H. Burghardt; Rev. D. B. Hall; G. D. Consaul, Licentiate.

CLASSIS OF SCHOHARIE.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants					Bap.		C. & R. C.		Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS	
			Rec'd On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens		Number in Biblical Instruction	Religious and Benev- olent Purposes		Congregational Pur- poses
Schoharie	S. H. Cobb	87	11	1	1	1	8	120	1	8	90	55	\$148 88	\$717 00	Schoharie, Middleburgh,	
Middleburgh	Vacant	78						108					40 00		Do.	
Schoharie Mountain	Vacant														Berne,	
Berne	E. Miller	60	2				1	98				55	76 78	500 00	Do.	
Beaver Dam	Do.	54					1	67				50	19 00	90 00	Do.	
Gallopsville	E. Vedder, S. C.	65	2		1		1	93			49	70	27 57	1,887 51	Gallopsville,	
Knox	Do.	28			1		1	62			30	25	7 00	250 00	Do.	
Lawersville	Vacant	60						82							Lawersville,	
Sharon	Vacant	55						93							Do.	
Gilboa	W. W. Letson, S. S.	100	31	7				158	4	19	90	90	60 00	2,254 25	Gilboa,	
North Blenheim	T. L. Shaffer	44	1			2		51		1	16	40	16 18	80 00	North Blenheim,	
Breakabin	Do.	25			1			83			30	75	12 52	200 00	Do.	
Emmence	Vacant															
Cobleskill	Vacant															
Total	Total	656	48	8	4		13	970	5	23	49	186	465	\$408 13	\$6,388 76	

Ministère without Charge.—J. M. Scribner, Middleburgh, N. Y.; and Rev. Wm. A. Benedict, Durham, Mass.

CLASSIS OF ULSTER.—P. S. A.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants						Rap.		C & B. C.			Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd		Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical Instruction	Sabbath Schools—Average	Religious and RENEV-olent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses	
			On Confession	On Certificate												
Blue Mountain.....	Wm. D. Bucklew.....	90	6	8	2	1	111	14	2	20	20	70	\$170 48	\$600 00	Saugerties, N. Y.	
Catskill.....	N. F. Chapman.....	80	3	.....	1	5	180	7	.....	20	20	60	201 25	719 20	do.
Esopus.....	John Garretson.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	172	4	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	do.
Flatbush.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	do.
Kingston.....	J. C. F. Hoos.....	200	9	10	6	3	365	9	1	160	120	230	950 31	2,097 82	Kingston,	
North Esopus.....	C. L. Van Dyck.....	70	1	.....	.....	2	120	3	1	60	.....	94	218 88	653 55	Port Ewen,
Plattekill.....	Solomon T. Cole.....	132	11	.....	.....	3	340	23	.....	50	50	112	130 90	777 92	Glasco,
Saugerties.....	J. Gaston, S. C.....	130	10	1	4	4	223	10	3	50	50	151	1,964 45	2,617 46	Saugerties,	
Shokan.....	Vacant.....	.....	8	1	1	.....	.....	2	4	20	30	40	125 00	1,500 00	Shokan,
Shandaken.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	25 00	400 00	do.
St. Remy.....	Vacant.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	do.
West Hurley.....	Calvin Case.....	52	15	3	1	9	110	13	9	13	15	22	86 50	401 96	West Hurley,	
Wiley.....	Wm. A. Shaw.....	92	11	.....	1	1	37	4	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Kingston,
Woodstock.....	Vacant.....	41	6	3	2	5	60	16	.....	20	40	70	100 00	1,480 00	Woodstock,
Total.....	Total.....	817	80	21	27	6	1627	105	22	343	345	839	\$3,976 75	\$11,277 11		

Ministers without Charge.—Henry Ostrander, D. D., Saugerties, N. Y.; John Gorman, D. D., Saugerties, N. Y.; W. L. James, Kingston, N. Y.; Abraham H. Meyers, C. Blaauvelt, Closter, N. J. Wesley Taylor, suspended.

CLASSIS OF WESTCHESTER.—P. S. N. Y.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census	Communicants						Bap.		C & B. C.		Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com-munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu-mens	Number in Biblical In-struction	Sabbath Schools.—Average Number of Scholars	Religious and Benevo-lent Purposes	Congregational Pur-poses	
1st Tarrytown.....	Abel T. Stewart.....	90	10	...	4	4	201	12	45	50	60	\$288 54	\$2,143 02	Tarrytown, N. Y.	
2d ".....	John A. Todd.....	100	28	5	5	5	261	6	76	85	95	2,720 49	4,608 50	" "	
Yonkers.....	Victor M. Hulbert.....	100	10	9	5	1	134	7	50	90	120	2,503 33	3,097 63	" "	
Hastings.....	P. E.....	80	2	2	...	...	86	6	...	...	73	1,035 14	3,233 58	Hastings-upon-Hudson, "
Fordham.....	P. E.....	33	...	...	...	...	61	...	...	...	...	...	...	" "
Greenburgh.....	Wm. E. Bogardus.....	38*	...	...	...	...	76*	...	...	...	...	61 76	554 15	Neperan, "
Greenburgh *.....	Wm. E. Bogardus.....	35	...	...	...	...	26	...	...	...	...	145 59	1,144 54	Mount Vernon, "
Mount Vernon.....	Manuel H. Hutten.....	60	1	8	...	...	83	6	102	82	102	151 22	1,001 21	West Farms, "
West Farms.....	Polhemus Van Wyck.....	70	3	4	2	2	93	2	105	65	85	200 00	...	Pelham, "	
Bronxville.....	W. Roosevelt.....	49	2	...	...	...	50	3	...	...	...	109 35	3,476 10	Pekskill, "
Pekskill.....	Ch. D. Buck, (S. C.).....	60	...	8	3	4	85	...	80	85	75	109 54	...	East Haverstraw, "	
Corlandtown.....	Vacant.....	40	...	...	...	...	54	7	...	90	60	149 54	...	" "
Melrose.....	John M. Wagner.....	66	14	1	...	1	62	10	17	30	60	70 35	895 80	Morrisania, "	
Greenville.....	John H. Pitcher.....	43	2	...	1	1	80	1	15	35	85	134 90	950 00	Scarsdale, "	
Total.....		844	70	16	33	21	1366	54	835	687	840	\$5,892 51	\$22,050 00		

* Last year's report.

Licensible.—Alexander Watson, [City Agent, New York Bible Society.] Sing Sing, N. Y.

CLASSIS OF WISCONSIN.—P. S. C.

CHURCHES	PASTORS	Census Number of Families	Communicants						Bap.		C & E. C.			Sabbath Schools—Average Number of Scholars	Contributions		POST OFFICE ADDRESS
			Rec'd	On Confession	On Certificate	Dismissed	Suspended	Died	Total now in Com- munion	Infants	Adults	Number of Catechu- mens	Number in Biblical Instruction		Religious and Benev- olent Purposes	Congregational Pur- poses	
Franklin	Vacant	21	...	...	...	6	1	4	43	8	...	83	...	\$94 50	...	Franklin, Milwaukee Co., Wis.
Bethlehem	Vacant	15	...	...	...	5	1	...	32	2	...	90	...	81 96	\$14 57	Bethlehem, " "
Holland	H. Stobbehaar	70	...	...	...	2	...	...	124	10	...	60	...	137 50	1,450 00	Cedar Grove, Sheb'g'n Co., "
Oostburg	K. Vander Schuur	50	8	1	4	1	4	...	195	20	...	64	...	447 41	431 14	" " "	
Sheboygan Falls,*	Vacant	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sheboygan Falls, " "
Gibbsville	Vacant	32	3	4	1	1	1	1	65	3	...	28	...	92 71	80 00	Gibbsville, " "	
Alto	R. Pieters†	75	6	1	2	2	2	2	143	15	...	90	...	730 41	837 35	Alto, " "	
Milwaukee	J. Vander Meulen, S.C	63	8	3	1	14	...	1	119	17	...	55	...	398 71	1,193 75	Milwaukee, Wis., 492 10th St.	
Chicago	H. G. Klyn	62	8	7	19	5	8	8	115	24	...	40	...	80 222 00	...	Chicago, Ill. 331 W. Adams St.	
Livingston, Chicago.	Vacant	19	7	6	11	1	1	...	49	7	...	20	85	188 76	1,375 10	" " Ill.	
High Prairie	Vacant	46	4	14	8	...	...	...	102	11	...	61	...	292 01	601 88	Thornton, Cook Co., "
Low Prairie	Vacant	62	12	4	9	...	...	...	127	13	...	70	...	317 00	777 47	" " "
North Creek	Vacant	8	...	...	...	8	8	...	12	2	...	8	...	64 66	...	" " "
Silver Creek	J. Muller	125	14	...	1	...	...	4	188	86	...	...	...	255 00	2,478 00	Freeport, Wis.
Eden	A. Matice	50	5	5	1	...	...	...	82	8	...	...	...	41 52	406 76	Forreston, Ill.
Forreston,*	Vacant	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total	Total	718	65	43	74	11	92	1296	156	...	...	549	85	435 \$3,364 15	\$9,675 92	...

Ministers without Charge.—Rev. J. Baay, Sylvania, Racine Co., Wis. Missionary Pastor, Rev. Charles Wilson, Kewasum, Wis.

* No report

† Pastor elect

SUMMARY VIEW OF THE REF. PROT. DUTCH CHURCH FOR THE YEAR 1865.

CLASSES	Churches	Minist'ers	Candidates	Number of Families	Received		Now in Communion	Baptized		No. of Catechumens	No. in Biblical Instruction	Total No. of S. S. Scholars	Contributions		STATED CLERKS
					On Confession	On Certificate		Infants	Adults				Religious and Benevolent Purposes	Constitutional Purposes	
Classis of Albany.....	16	16	.....	1422	94	44	2562	89	23	597	1469	\$15,122 55	\$83,508 00	Rev. William Bailey.
Classis of Aroostook.....	7	9	.....	2285	26	31	275	40	23	114	988	8,481 92	8,481 92	Rev. Joseph Souder
Classis of Bergen.....	10	13	.....	595	45	39	821	69	9	618	1081	12,265 28	12,265 28	Rev. George H. Fisher.
South Classis of Bergen.....	14	14	.....	1547	155	122	2250	155	46	1697	1631	3,289 91	15,105 19	Rev. P. D. Van Cleaf.
Classis of Cayuga.....	13	13	.....	654	48	32	844	33	19	165	591	3,554 87	12,844 87	Rev. F. V. Van Vranken.
Classis of Cayuga.....	17	14	.....	1044	69	37	1758	108	23	480	507	2,703 75	8,292 10	Rev. George J. Van Natta.
Classis of Genesee.....	10	9	.....	1035	42	27	1252	81	12	557	1090	6,011 15	9,496 38	Rev. Samuel T. Searle.
Classis of Holland.....	15	13	.....	1216	55	52	2141	2	0	1023	712	13,916 54	13,916 54	Rev. Adrian Zomer.
Classis of Hudson.....	8	8	.....	928	37	19	1329	48	13	219	864	3,590 21	11,872 32	Rev. D. D. Demarest.
Classis of Illinois.....	10	10	.....	456	45	31	644	39	12	219	864	6,135 71	20,675 90	Rev. J. S. Joranson.
Classis of Kingston.....	12	18	.....	1271	51	26	1647	78	22	632	1150	8,348 88	8,348 88	Rev. Henry C. Lippincott.
North Classis of Long Island.....	14	19	.....	1169	62	35	1769	91	22	913	1319	3,779 21	12,619 21	Rev. Wm. H. Ten Eyck.
South Classis of Long Island.....	14	17	.....	1659	126	153	3807	154	16	1383	1459	62,334 15	62,334 15	Rev. Jacob West.
Classis of Michigan.....	11	10	.....	323	25	22	397	20	7	145	545	621 01	3,315 32	Rev. J. H. Kershaw.
Classis of Monmouth.....	8	10	.....	549	36	8	394	26	11	328	560	3,352 10	7,721 00	Rev. A. C. Millsapough.
Classis of Montgomery.....	23	15	.....	1482	112	90	1865	82	15	133	2958	1,341 10	11,340 85	Rev. A. H. Van Vranken.
Classis of New Brunswick.....	10	15	.....	2	1029	85	1	963	96	100	2922	41,809 52	43,436 85	Rev. J. Addison Van Doren.
Classis of New York.....	19	30	.....	2650	285	159	4377	302	85	1891	2770	17,611 05	8,518 27	Rev. N. J. Marselus.
South Classis of New York.....	10	15	.....	1	963	96	100	2922	221	16	1064	6,997 80	20,614 61	Rev. S. H. Meeker.
Classis of Orange.....	23	23	.....	2083	108	52	2754	180	91	915	1993	3,779 21	12,619 21	Rev. Charles Scott.
Classis of Paramus.....	16	16	.....	1557	124	109	2154	173	21	815	368	1,787 83	4,136 68	Rev. J. Paschal Strong.
Classis of Passaic.....	10	11	.....	596	34	15	1069	53	10	938	2390	10,557 06	37,754 01	Rev. J. Ferguson Harris.
Classis of Philadelphia.....	14	16	.....	1511	104	175	2106	155	22	1057	2400	9,329 78	11,100 00	Rev. Theodore B. Romeyn.
Classis of Poughkeepsie.....	11	17	.....	1147	59	37	1979	49	17	840	1147	3,559 25	15,712 97	Rev. Charles S. Hageman.
Classis of Raritan.....	13	13	.....	1198	67	56	212	89	15	640	805	5,731 31	17,916 45	Rev. John F. Meale.
Classis of Rensselaer.....	12	14	.....	1390	51	36	1639	61	14	215	831	3,085 29	12,877 07	Rev. Elbert Nevius.
Classis of Saratoga.....	16	12	.....	855	35	23	1810	18	14	90	292	2,688 00	19,499 00	Rev. C. N. Waldron.
Classis of Schoharie.....	13	15	.....	1429	71	25	1914	125	13	637	418	405	6,988 76	Rev. R. L. Schoonmaker.
Classis of Schoharie.....	14	17	.....	656	48	8	970	5	23	49	185	3,976 75	11,277 11	Rev. Edwin Vedder.
Classis of Ulster.....	14	15	.....	817	80	21	1627	105	22	843	845	5,892 51	22,600 03	Rev. John Gaston.
Classis of Westchester.....	14	10	.....	1	844	70	16	1266	54	29	355	840	9,675 92	Rev. Charles D. Buck.
Classis of Westchester.....	16	9	.....	718	65	43	1696	166	.....	549	85	3,391 15	9,675 92	Rev. J. Vandermeulen.
Classis of Wisconsin.....	427	436	6	81125	2985	1630	51256	3064	540	19364	15700	\$225,410 44	\$545,540 99		

ARTICLE VII.

SYNODICAL REFERENCES.

The Committee on Synodical Minutes presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Synodical Minutes would report as follows :

That they have examined the Minutes of the General Synod of 1864, of the Particular Synods of New York, Albany and Chicago, and find the following references claiming the attention of the General Synod.

On page 6 of the Particular Synod of Albany, will be found a resolution from the Classis of Schenectady, petitioning General Synod for a change in form of ordination of Elders and Deacons.

Also, on same page, a resolution from the Classis of Montgomery, requesting of General Synod a dispensation, in order that they may proceed to the Examination of Wm. A. Smith, for licensure.

Also, another resolution from the Classis of Montgomery, requesting of General Synod an amendment of the Constitution, which shall place the Professors of the Theological Seminary on an equality with pastors, in being eligible to membership of General Synod.

On page 14 of Particular Synod of Chicago will be found the following resolution :

Resolved, That this Synod unanimously request the General Synod to comply with the petition of the Classis of Illinois, in the appointment of a teacher at Pella, and that said appointment be made as soon as a suitable man can be obtained.

On page 51 of the Minutes of Particular Synod of New York are found the following resolutions, from the Classis of Philadelphia :

Resolved, That the General Synod be requested to change the mode of forming the Board of Superintendents, and instead of the present representation, that there be appointed in some way, suitable to themselves, six persons to attend to the examinations of the students, instead of the present number. Also,

Resolved, That the General Synod be requested to make the following amendment to the Constitution of the Church, (the Classes concurring), to be known as Section 11, Article III, Chapter Second:

When any Minister shall desire leave to resign his pastoral charge, or any congregation shall desire to be released from their pastor, and the minister and consistory fail to unite in application for a regular dismission, it shall be competent for either party to lay such request before the Classis to which the congregation belongs, with his or their reasons for the same. Whereupon the Classis shall after due investigation and deliberation, decide in favor of or against

such application as they may judge expedient and right. They may also offer such conditions to the dissolution of the pastoral relation, if granted, as they may deem just and proper.

All which is respectfully submitted,

JNO. STEELE, *Chairman.*

So much of the above Report as refers to the Overtures from the Classes of Schenectady, Montgomery and Philadelphia, recommending amendments to the Constitution, was referred to the Committee on Overtures. The request for a dispensation for W. A. Smith, and the action of the Classis of Philadelphia in regard to a change in the Constitution of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary, were referred to the Committee on the Professorate, and the request for the appointment of a teacher at Pella was referred to the Committee on Education.

The Committee on Overtures presented the following report, which was accepted, and adopted :

The Committee on Overtures and Judicial Business have examined the matters referred to them, and beg leave to report as follows :

The Classis of Schenectady asks for a change in the Ordination Form of Elders and Deacons to the following effect, viz: After the proposal and answers to the prescribed questions, instead of "Then the minister shall say," &c., the direction shall be, "Then the minister who did propose these questions of them, and other ministers who may be present, together with other elders who have been ordained by the laying on of hands, and are in good and regular standing, may lay their hands on the heads of each of the officers elect, and the minister shall say: 'The Almighty God and Father enlighten thee with his Holy Spirit and replenish thee with his grace, that thou mayest faithfully and fruitfully discharge the office of elder (or deacon) to the glory of his holy name and the edification of his Church. Amen.'

Accompanying these directions shall be a foot note, to the following effect: 'This ceremony shall not be used in installing those who have been before ordained by the laying on of hands to the respective offices in which they are installed.'

The reason assigned for asking this change is, that the petitioners believe the laying on of hands to be the most scriptural mode of ordaining ruling elders and deacons, as well as ministers of the word."

Your Committee see no good reason why this change should not be adopted by General Synod. It would tend to make the act of ordination more solemn and impressive, and would be more in con-

formity with Scripture usage. We therefore recommend the following action in reference to this subject, to wit:

Resolved, 1. That this Synod recommend the adoption of the proposed change in the form for ordaining elders and deacons, and

Resolved, 2. That this matter be referred to the several Classes for their consent, with the request that they send the result of their action to the stated Clerk of the General Synod.

2. "The Classis of Montgomery respectfully petition this General Synod to take the necessary steps for amending the Constitution and rescinding the section which disqualifies the Professors in the Theological Seminary from being members of the ecclesiastical assemblies of our Church." Article II., Section 4, Chapter First.

The reasons given for this proposed amendment are, that our Professors may be brought into closer relations to our ministers and elders; and that our ecclesiastical assemblies may not be deprived of the wisdom of their counsel.

Your Committee know not why this prohibition was originally interposed, nor can they see any valid reason why it should be continued. On the contrary, they regard the reasons assigned for its removal as substantial and weighty, and therefore recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, 1. That this Synod recommend that the Constitution be so altered, by rescinding in Chapter First, Article II., Section 4, these words, to wit: "*Or be a member of any ecclesiastical assembly or judicatory.*"

Resolved, 2. That the matter of this proposed change in the Constitution be sent down to the Classes, for their concurrence.

3. The Classis of Philadelphia request General Synod to make the following amendment to the Constitution of the Church, to be known as Section 2, Article III., Chapter Second:

"When any minister shall desire leave to resign his pastoral charge, or any congregation shall desire to be released from their pastor, and the minister and consistory fail to unite in application for a regular dismission, it shall be competent for either party to lay such request before the Classis to which the congregation belongs, with his or their reasons for the same. Whereupon the Classis shall, after due investigation and deliberation, decide in favor or against such application, as they may judge expedient and right. They may also offer such conditions to the dissolution of the pastoral relation, if granted, as they may deem just and proper."

The design of this amendment evidently is to facilitate the dissolution of the pastoral relation under circumstances in which it cannot now be dissolved. Your Committee can easily imagine cases in which this amendment, if adopted, might tend to promote the peace of the Church. On the other hand, they fear it might promote a restless spirit in our Churches, resulting in more frequent ap-

plications to Classis for dissolutions, which your Committee think should be carefully guarded against. Your Committee, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolution by this Synod, to wit:

Resolved, That the request of the Classis of Philadelphia be not granted.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. BAILEY, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE VIII.

SYNODICAL APPEALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE IX

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

The Committee appointed by the last General Synod to report additional Rules of Order presented the following Report, which was accepted and referred to the next session of General Synod:

The Committee appointed by the last General Synod to consider the subject of additional Rules of Order, beg leave to report as follows:

After a careful examination of the body of "Rules for the government of General Synod," to be found in the Appendix to the Constitution of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, your Committee are of opinion that these Rules cover all the most material points of order necessary to be observed by deliberative bodies. Some of the Rules, however, in the judgment of the Committee, might be advantageously subdivided for the sake of more ready reference, and, in a few instances, their meaning might be made more precise by a slight change in their wording. On comparing our present Rules with those which have been adopted by other secular and ecclesiastical bodies, we find some points provided for by the latter in regard to which ours are silent. From these sources we have borrowed such materials as we have deemed important. The Committee have also examined the Digest, and have found in it some Rules of Order, which, as this document is now out of print, they have incorporated with those which they hereby propose for the consideration of General Synod.

1. Add to Rule 2d. The President and Adsector shall be elected by ballot, by a majority of all the members present: and if after the first vote there is no election, the choice shall be made from the two who have the highest number of votes. The Clerks shall be elected by plurality. (Digest, III. ch., sec. 10.)

2. Modify the first part of Rule 6th so as to make it read: "An amendment may be made on any motion, and it shall be decided before the original motion. It may be, in its turn, suspended by an amendment *to itself*, which must first be considered and decided. But no additional amendment to an original motion can be received until the previous one has been disposed of."

3. Modify the next clause of the same Rule so as to make it an independent rule, to read thus: "When a question is under debate no motion shall be received except to adjourn, to lay on the table, to postpone indefinitely, to postpone to a certain time, to commit to a standing committee, to a select one, or to the committee of the whole, or to amend, which motions shall have precedence in the order stated."

4. Make the last clause of the same rule, regarding the previous question an independent rule, to read thus: "When the previous question is moved and seconded, it shall be in this form: 'Shall the main question be now put?' and until it be decided all amendment and further debate shall be inadmissible. If the vote be in the affirmative, the original motion shall be immediately put without further amendment or debate; if it be in the negative the debate shall continue as before."

5. Add to Rule 8th: "In other cases, the yeas and nays shall not be recorded unless on the demand of one-fifth of the members present."

6. The Synod may resolve itself into a committee of the whole. In which case the President appoints the chairman, who retains the chair whenever the committee sits on the same business. When it rises (it cannot adjourn) the President resumes the chair, and the chairman reports its decision, or reports progress and asks leave to sit again; refusing this, discharges the committee. The same rules apply in committee of the whole as in Synod, except that the previous question cannot be moved, nor the yeas and nays be called for.

7. The mover and seconder of a motion may withdraw before debate on it has commenced, but not afterwards unless by leave of Synod.

8. If two members rise at the same time, the one most distant from the Chair shall have the floor.

9. Silent members, unless excused from voting, shall be counted with the majority.

10. In filling blanks, when various motions are made, the vote shall always be first on the highest number and longest time.

11. After the President has begun to take the vote, or the Clerk to call the roll on a division of the house, no debate nor remark shall be allowed.

12. Rule in regard to *Primarii* and *Secundi*.—*Digest*, p. 350.

13. Rules in regard to Judicial Business.—*Digest*, p. 382.

14. Rule regarding Religious Exercises.—*Digest*, p. 391.

15. A Rule of Order may be suspended for the time by unanimous consent.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN FORSYTH, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE X.

DOCTRINES AND MORALS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XI.

CUSTOMS AND USAGES.

The following were adopted :

Whereas, In order to preserve the truth and promote the prosperity of the Church, it is of the highest importance that the children should be trained in the knowledge and love of sound doctrine, and that the Catechism should regularly be *explained* in our Churches, therefore,

Resolved, That the General Synod earnestly calls upon the Consistories under its care to see that the catechetical instruction of the children is faithfully attended to, not only by pastors and teachers, but also that parents be continually reminded of the obligations resting upon them to instruct and bring up their children in the doctrines taught in our Church to the utmost of their power, in accordance with the covenant which they solemnly made with God and His Church, when they presented their children for baptism.

Resolved, That the attention of the Consistories, Classes, and Particular Synods be directed to Article II., Section 13, of the Constitution, which requires every minister, within certain periods of time, regularly to *explain* the system of Christian doctrine comprehended in the Heidelberg Catechism, and which also directs censure to be inflicted, in case any minister should fail to comply therewith, without sufficient reason.

ARTICLE XII.

SCHOOLS AND CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.

The Thirty-third Annual Report of the Board of Education was received and referred to the Committee on Education, with the ex-

ception of the report of vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education was received, and referred to the Committee on Education.

The Committee on Education presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on Education have examined the Report of the Board of Education and other documents submitted to them, and report, calling attention to the following particulars :

I. The Financial Condition of the Board.—The receipts of the last year are represented as exceeding those of the year preceding by about \$1,000, and we note as exceedingly gratifying, and as indicative of a growing interest in one important work of the Board, that the number of Churches contributing to its funds has increased by *eighteen*. The permanent funds of the Board are also increased to the amount of \$7,500, by the endowment of a scholarship in the sum of \$2,500, and the bequest of \$5,000.

The balance on hand from the Van Benschoten Fund is \$1,192 97. The balance on hand from the Knox Fund is \$201 86. The Treasurer's account on the "Education Fund Income" shows a balance on hand of \$1,187 33, of which the items are : Education Funds, \$599 02 ; Parochial School Funds, \$308 21 ; Special Funds, \$280 10.

II. The Report presented by the Secretary of the Board is so full and satisfactory that we need not here enter into very minute details, yet there are a few points suggested which may be referred to as of especial interest and importance.

1. The whole number of beneficiaries under the care of the Board at the close of the year was *forty-seven* (47). *Fourteen* (14) of these have completed their theological career, and been licensed by the respective Classes with which they were connected to preach the Gospel. *Eleven* (11) of these licentiates have already been called to fields of labor. The fact just stated illustrates and enforces the great importance of the work of this Board in furnishing supplies for our Churches, and the means of carrying forward the work of church extension by a practical argument, which is at once easily perceived and understood, and irresistible. Since it is the will of the Master, and not less the earnest desire and duty of His people, that His Church shall prosper and extend, and since it is also His will that a very large proportion of those who shall be His ambassadors shall be educated for this responsible office by the Church (as is illustrated by the history of the Church of Christ in all its branches), it follows with the clear and unmistakable logic of fact, that it becomes the Church to pour liberally into this channel, both of men and money, that the supply of ministers of the Gospel may

be, in any degree, commensurate with the demand constantly opening before her in fields already partially cultivated, and in those whitening to the harvest, earnestly inviting the laborers to enter in and reap.

Growing out of this fact is another worthy of the serious consideration of every pastor, viz: the importance of directing the attention of young men of piety and promise to the work of the ministry. Pastors, from their frequent opportunity of personal intercourse with the pious youth of their flock, from their official relations to them, and their influence with them, possess advantages for judging of the character and ability of such youth, and for pressing upon them the claims of the ministry, enjoyed by no others, and therefore there rests upon them, in a peculiar degree, the duty and responsibility of urging, with a zeal tempered by prudence, such as are qualified by natural gifts and the graces of the Spirit, to consecrate themselves to the especial service of the Master in preaching the Gospel.

2. Another point of interest and importance to the prosperity and extension of our branch of the Church of Christ, which cannot be overestimated, is *the increased facility of educating the youth of our Church and country for usefulness in various departments of active life, and especially in the ministry.* The Synod have heard, and the Church will hear with devout gratitude and intense satisfaction, that the endowment of the new Professorship in our Theological Seminary has been secured, and will hail this fact as another proof of the life and progress of our Church. And as we turn our eyes toward the West, a similar cheering spectacle meets our vision. The Holland Academy, which the Church planted and nourished, is, under her fostering care, growing up into the dignity and usefulness and influence of a college. From the Report of the Board of Superintendents who attended the last examination of that Institution, it appears that the number of students in attendance was forty-three (43), of whom twelve (12) were in the Collegiate Department; that the buildings were in good repair, the Professorial residence was completed and ready to be occupied, and the Academy grounds had been improved by the gratuitous labors of the students. And from additional facts appended to the above report, we learn that four regular College classes—Freshman, Sophomore, Junior, and Senior, are now organized, and are composed of twenty-one (21) members. In the Academical Department the pupils are also classified. An additional Professor, the Rev. John Mason Ferris, has been added to the Faculty of the new college. "The amount needful for a charter has been secured, and there remain only certain legal forms to give to the Institution a complete collegiate existence." This new enterprise has heretofore received the hearty commendation of the Church as represented by previous General Synods, and under the direction of the General Synod Rev. Philip Phelps is laboring successfully

among the Churches to secure the endowment necessary to place the College upon a permanent working basis.

In a communication received from Rev. Mr. Phelps, it is represented that the Plan of Endowment submitted to the Church at large will be successfully carried out. The following endowments are specially mentioned: Mr. James L. Schieffelin has generously subscribed \$5,000 to endow the *Scholarship of the General Synod*. In a like spirit of liberality Mr. S. B. Schieffelin has contributed \$2,500 to found the *Scholarship of the Theological Seminary*, and Mr. James Suydam \$2,500 to establish the Scholarship bearing the name of *Rutgers College*. In view of these facts the following resolution is recommended:

Resolved, That the *Plan of Endowment* be approved, and that the thanks of the Synod be tendered to the donors above mentioned for their generous contributions.

It may, perhaps, be thought almost unnecessary to say a word with regard to the importance of this Institution to the growth and influence of our Church in the West. Information to this effect has been circulated throughout all the Churches. Yet your committee regard its necessity so imperative, and its speedy endowment so desirable, that they feel constrained to direct especial attention to its claims upon the liberality of the Church. And although they are not disposed to argue the question of its importance (for indeed they think there can be no question about this), they would point to the influence which has been and which is being, with increasing power, exerted upon the growth and extension of our Church by Rutgers College and Hertzog Hall; not doubting that similar associations will cluster around, and like influence proceed from this newly founded Institution, affording, as it will, not only the easy opportunity of a liberal education to those who may already desire it, but creating and fostering such desire.

3. Another matter contained in the Report calls for attention. It is the suggestion that this General Synod take such action as may be deemed wise, "to enlarge the powers of the Board of Education, so as to embrace an ability to co-operate with the Classes in the establishment of such schools as may promise to advance the interests of our Church, and our Redeemer's whole kingdom." At the meeting of General Synod last year, (1864,) the following resolution was taken (Minutes of Synod, page 467, resolution 1): "That the policy of parochial schools and academies has been repeatedly approved, as being intimately connected with the best interests of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, and that any efforts in the Synod of Chicago for the establishment of the same be hailed with satisfaction by this General Synod." Upon the preceding action of the Particular Synod of Chicago, and this resolution of the last General Synod endorsing such action, the Classis of Illinois petitioned the Synod of Chicago to request the General Synod to direct the Board of Educa-

tion to appropriate such a sum, in addition to that appropriated by the Board of Domestic Missions, as shall be sufficient for the support of a teacher of the classics and higher mathematics in the school at Pella, Iowa. The grounds upon which this petition of the Classis of Illinois is presented are these: 1st. There is a school now in operation at Pella, which only needs a teacher of the classics and higher mathematics that it may become a feeder of the new Western College; 2d. That at present the community in and about Pella is not able to pay the salary of such a teacher; and 3d. That if such a teacher is not provided, the school at Pella will not only fail to furnish students for our Western College, but those scholars who desire to receive such preparation will be compelled to seek it elsewhere, and thus, in the great majority of instances, if not entirely, be lost to our College. In answer to the suggestion which may enter some minds, that we have such a preparatory department in the Holland Academy, the reply is that Pella is too far distant from Holland (some five hundred miles) for the academy at the latter place to be made available. There are other institutions at a much more convenient distance than Holland in which scholars could be prepared for college. It may further be objected that it would be sufficient to grant the request with respect to Pella without a more general enlargement of the ability of the Board of Education in this direction. The answer to this objection is that similar instances may occur in other portions of the Church, East, or West, or South, and then this same kind of action on the part of the Classis, Particular and General Synods must be repeated, whereas if the ability to co-operate with the Particular Synods and the Classes in the establishment of academies is not restricted to a particular case, this action of General Synod will cover any case that may arise.

In conclusion, this Committee sum up what they report for action in the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That this General Synod commend this Board of Education to the liberality of our Churches, and urge upon *every Church* in the denomination the *importance* and *duty* of aiding in the great work of Church extension through this very efficient channel.

2. *Resolved*, That this General Synod does regard the effort to secure the complete endowment of our Western College as of *paramount* importance at the present time, to the prosperity and extension of our branch of the Church of Christ.

3. *Resolved*, That this General Synod empower the Board of Education so to enlarge its sphere of action as to be able to co-operate *efficiently, and in such manner and to such extent* as in its judgment shall be wisest and best, with the various Classes in the establishment of academies and classical schools within the bounds of said Classes.

4. *Resolved*, That all pastors in connection with the Synod are hereby earnestly requested to regard its injunction, that the *last*

Thursday of February be observed as a day of special prayer for colleges and seminaries of learning, and that the pastors of the various Churches preach on the subject of Education the Sabbath previous thereto.

5. *Resolved*, Inasmuch as the Board of Superintendents of our Western College meets after the yearly session of General Synod, and thus its report presents a statement nearly a year old, that the President of said College be requested to supplement the above-named report with such additional information as shall furnish to the General Synod a statement of the condition of said College for the current year.

6. *Resolved*, That the Board of Superintendents of our Western College have power to fill vacancies occurring in its numbers during the intervals of Synod.

All which is respectfully submitted,

C. G. VANDERVEER, *Chairman*.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Education whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots, it appeared that Revs. M. S. Hutton, W. H. Ten Eyck, J. H. Manning, J. T. Duryce, G. H. Mandeville, and Messrs. F. J. Hosford, P. R. Warner, Johnson Letson were elected.

ARTICLE XIII.

RUTGERS COLLEGE.

William H. Van Doren was recommended to the Board of Trustees of Rutgers College for aid from the Van Benschoten Fund.

ARTICLE XIV.

PROFESSORATE.

The Committee appointed by the last General Synod to confer with the Professors of the Theological Seminary, in reference to the relinquishment of their residences in the College Building, presented their report, which was accepted and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

The Standing Committee on Hertzog Hall presented their report, which was accepted and referred to the Committee on the Professorate.

The Committee on the Professorate presented the following Report, which was accepted, amended and adopted :

Report of the Committee on the Professorate :

The customary papers have been referred to this Committee, which have brought up for consideration subjects of great importance.

1. In regard to the Annual Reports of the Board of Direction, the Treasurer's Annual Account, their Annual Digest, and List of Securities, as the Account has been audited, and as these financial statements will be published in full in the Minutes of General Synod, there is no occasion for remark, with the single exception, that those who have the charge of the invested funds of our educational and benevolent institutions, deserve the hearty thanks of the whole Church for the faithful discharge of their laborious duties.

2. As to the proposed endowment of the Permanent Fund of General Synod, by an assessment of \$20,000 laid on the Classes a year ago (see Minutes, pp. 480, 481) it appears from the Report of the Board of Direction, that only \$6,785 56 have been paid, leaving more than two-thirds yet to be obtained.

The same necessity still exists to complete the endowment of this fund.

The following resolutions, therefore, are recommended for adoption :

Resolved, That each Classis which has omitted the payment of its full quota to the fund, be earnestly requested to take such steps at its next special or stated meeting as will secure its share of the money required from their respective congregations.

Resolved, That the Treasurer of General Synod (immediately before the Stated Fall Session) send a circular to the Classes which continue delinquent, informing them of the amount apportioned to each, and urging them to comply with the action of Synod.

3. The Committee appointed by the last General Synod, to obtain the sum of fifteen hundred dollars (\$1,500), to supplement the salaries of the Theological Professors, in view of the exigencies of the times, report that they have collected and paid over that amount, as directed.

In this connection, the following expression of sentiment is proposed :

Resolved, That the thanks of our denomination are rendered to the said Committee, for their zeal in this matter, and to the donors, for their liberality and Christian consideration.

4. The Committee of Courtesy, appointed to wait on two of the Professors of the Theological Seminary, residing in the wings of Rutgers College, to secure their consent to the surrender of their

residences, and to complete the sale and transfer of Rutgers College to the Board of Trustees, report that they have been successful.

5. An unusual number of dispensations have been requested from General Synod, but each seems to be worthy of approbation.

The Classis of Montgomery make application on behalf of Mr. W. A. Smith, who has pursued a regular course of Theological study with the Rev. Dr. Hickok, of Union College, Schenectady, and who gives promise of usefulness—that he be permitted to be examined on all the subjects prescribed by the Constitution, with a view to licensure and ordination.

Resolved, That this request be granted.

The Classis of Albany recommend Mr. Charles F. Suckow, a member and elder of the Fourth German Reformed Protestant Dutch Church of Albany, after having spent one year in the Grammar School at New Brunswick, for a dispensation from a collegiate course, to enable him to enter into the Theological Seminary of our Church.

The information obtained of the merits of this case induces your Committee to advise concurrence, and the adoption of the minute:

Resolved, That this request be granted.

The Classis of New Brunswick commend Prof. D. W. Reiley, of Rutgers College, believing that his sphere of usefulness will be greatly extended, for a dispensation from the regular course of Theological studies, so that he may be examined at the fall meeting of Classis, with a view to licensure to preach the Gospel.

Resolved, That this request be granted.

6. An alteration in the present Constitution of the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary has been requested by the Classis of Philadelphia, proposing instead of the representation of all the Classes by one member from each, that there be appointed in some way, suitable to themselves, six persons to attend to the examinations of the students, instead of the present number.

There is nothing perfect on earth. There are some inconveniences inseparable from the present system. Yet it is not thought that it would be an advantage but a positive loss to make the suggested change. The existing plan secures the supervision of each Classis as a safeguard over the Theological Seminary, and forms a tie connecting the extremities of our Church with this institution, and interesting remote Classes in its welfare. Besides, it is not a wise policy to make changes in the Constitution, except for grave reasons.

Resolved, therefore, that it is inexpedient that this request be granted.

7. The report of the Committee on Hertzog Hall introduces us into a new era in the history of our Theological Seminary, providing for its expansion, in raising up a larger number of pious and better trained young men for the Christian ministry, just at this great crisis in our country and the American Church, when, in addition to pre-

viously existing missionary fields, the whole South in its utter moral destitution is laid at our feet, appealing for our sympathies, prayers, and labors for the salvation of its entire population, white and colored. The wonderful Providence of God has crowned with success the efforts to raise eighty thousand dollars, for the endowment of the Third Professorship and the establishment of a Fourth, just at the time when this vast field, white to the harvest, lies outspread before our eyes, and the cry ascends from our Publication and Domestic Missionary Boards, who will go for us, and whom shall we send?

We now begin to see the great end for which a sovereign God has perpetuated the existence of this ancient Church, as He has set before it, in common with all evangelical Churches of this land, an immense territory, embracing scattered flocks, poor, ignorant and neglected whites, and four millions of freedmen, who must be supplied with the Gospel if their souls are to be rescued from perdition, and if they are to be prepared to enjoy their civil privileges without abuse and without future peril to the regenerated South and to the Republic. In this marvelous event the finger of Divine Providence seems to be pointing, not only to the great West, but to the South, as a region that our Church should cultivate for the Master; and the more so as our Church comes unprejudiced before all classes of the community there, not having been entangled in any of the controversies that have rent in twain other denominations which have been represented on that soil. This is indeed a jubilee year for our Church, and a Synod whose meeting must constitute a memorable era in its history.

The thanks of Synod have been rendered to the individuals who have been conspicuous in securing this magnificent sum of money; and they are well deserved. But the name of Rev. Nicholas E. Smith, D.D., should be placed on its rolls as one of its most generous benefactors, and as an example to all time of the right use of wealth by all whom God has prospered. We trust that it will be followed by others, until the machinery of our Church is put in complete working order.

Resolved, That the heartfelt thanks of this Synod be tendered to Dr. Smith for his most generous gift.

Resolved, That as a memorial of the munificent gift of \$40,000, that the Third Professorship be named after the donor, the Nicholas E. Smith Professorship.

Resolved, also, That this gift be accepted with the conditions annexed :

Information having been communicated to your Committee, by the Standing Committee on Hertzog Hall, that Rev. N. E. Smith, D.D., has given his bond for forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) to the Board of Direction, and that it has been drawn up by its counsel, therefore be it

THE FOLLOWING PORTION OF THE REPORT SHOULD HAVE APPEARED ON PAGE 627. IT WAS INADVERTENTLY OVERLOOKED.

As the conviction has been expressed by the Hertzog Hall Committee of their ability to obtain the requisite funds for the erection of four professors' houses on the grounds attached to that institution, and as \$12,000, received from Rutgers' College, have been set apart to that object, and as \$10,000 beside have been secured in available subscriptions.

Resolved, That this Committee be authorized to proceed in this matter and obtain, if possible, a sum total of \$40,000, to erect professors' residences, of sufficient size to accommodate large families and in a suitable style of architecture with corresponding improvements.

Resolved, That Messrs. Johnson Letson, William Flagg, G. G. Voorhees, James Suydam and Rev. John De Witt, D.D., be the Building Committee who shall locate the buildings on the Hertzog Hall grounds, make the contracts, superintend the erection of the houses, and disburse the funds when obtained from the Hertzog Hall Committee.

Resolved, That the Board of Direction give to this Committee authority to use so much of the Hertzog Hall grounds as may be necessary for this purpose.

Resolved, That this Building Committee may proceed to erect professors' houses as soon as they shall think that the price of building materials and the funds on hand may warrant that step.

Whereas, Rev. Dr. Berg has vacated the eastern wing of Rutgers College,

Resolved, That \$150 be allowed him for expenses of removal, and that the Treasurer of General Synod be authorized to pay the same.

Resolved, That hereafter the Committee on Hertzog Hall shall report directly and only to General Synod, from whom they derive their appointment, in order to save them from unnecessary labors.

Resolved, That this Synod will proceed at once to the election of a Professor on Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric, according to the rules prescribed by the Constitution of our Church.

Resolved, That for the current year the salaries of the Professors of Theology in our Seminary shall be twenty-five hundred dollars.

8. *Whereas*, some doubt has been felt by the Board of Corporation as to the fact whether the legislation of General Synod allows them to elect a President, in case of vacancy, between the sessions of the General Synod, your committee recommend the passage or re-enactment of the following resolution on page 352 of the Digest.

Resolved, That the Board of Corporation be and is hereby empowered to fill any vacancies that may occur in the Board by death or otherwise, during the recess of General Synod.

9. The Report of the Board of Superintendents testifies to the continued prosperity of our Theological Seminary, a class consisting of twenty students having just left its walls.

Mr. David K. Van Doren, not having the qualifications to enter the Theological Seminary, has been temporarily admitted, and the Faculty recommend him for a dispensation, in the hope that by future and increased diligence he will be able to maintain a respectable standing in his class.

Resolved, That this request is granted.

The Faculty report the gift of about 2,000 books to the Library of the Theological Seminary, by the munificence of Mrs. Bethune. As some slight testimonial of this generosity,

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk convey to Mrs. Bethune the grateful acknowledgments of General Synod for this exceedingly useful donation.

A similar gift of 80 volumes has been made by the late Mrs. Dwight, widow of Rev. Maurice W. Dwight, to the Library of the Theological Seminary.

At the request of the Board of Superintendents, its Stated Clerk calls the attention of General Synod to an irregularity in the election of members of the Board. Through inadvertence new members have been elected by several Classes in the place of others who had not resigned or become disqualified, so that there have been two claimants for the same seat. In regard to similar cases hereafter occurring, your committee recommend the following resolution :

Resolved, That the Constitution of the Board of Superintendents be maintained, that one member only from each Classis be recognized, and that he shall hold his seat three years.

Mr. Andrew Doremus, of the Junior Class of the Theological Seminary, who has been dismissed by the Professors, with the concurrence of the Board of Superintendents, makes application to

General Synod to reconsider the action of the Faculty of the Theological Seminary and the Board of Superintendents in his case.

As the Board of Superintendents has been clothed with full power and jurisdiction by its constitution for the government of the students of the Theological Seminary, and as that Board has much better opportunity to investigate the evidence and merits in this case and do justice in the premises, and as the matter comes up irregularly before Synod,

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to interfere with the action of the Faculty or the Board of Superintendents, and that Mr. Doremus be therefore directed to apply for relief to the Faculty or Committee of the Board of Superintendents.

10. A communication from the Board of Trustees of Rutgers College, through a committee of which Governor Vroom is chairman, who also personally appeared before your Committee, asking that the covenant of 1807 between the College and the Synod be annulled, has been duly considered. This covenant was very serviceable to the Church, when both the College and Seminary were weak and needed support; but now, that both are able to stand alone, it seems to be useless. This covenant renders it imperative on the Board of Trustees to elect as Professor of Theology in the College the person whom General Synod may nominate and appoint as Professor of Didactic Theology in the Seminary. In 1862, the professors in the Seminary were released by General Synod from their services in the College, with the exception of the Professor of Didactic and Polemic Theology, whose duties have been nominal more recently, and who now asks to be freed in future from all duties in the College. The sale and transfer of the College property to the Trustees of that institution has abrogated this covenant to that extent, that it appears to be best for both institutions that the slight bond which still unites them should be severed, as it would only embarrass both parties; be it therefore

Resolved, That this Synod relinquishes, on behalf of the Trustees of Rutgers College, the nomination and appointment of the Professor of Theology in that institution, from this date, providing such relinquishment does not interfere with any existing contract with the Trustees in relation to moneys to be made up for the salary of the Professor of Theology.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod send to the Trustees of Rutgers College an official notice of this relinquishment.

11. Mr. C. D. F. Steinführer, having been engaged by Dr. Tayler Lewis for the purpose of becoming an assistant in the translation of Genesis of Lange's Commentary, on the condition of securing a dispensation from General Synod, respectfully asks permission to spend the second year of his course in the Theological Seminary in this work, with the privilege of appearing for examination with his class in May, 1866.

This application is accompanied with a letter from Professor Tayler Lewis, in which he writes: "I think I could answer for his Biblical and Hebrew study at all events, and the very nature of the work in which he would be engaged with me, would give additional interest and stimulus to such studies."

Resolved, That this request be granted.

JOHN F. MESICK, *Chairman*.

The ayes and nays on the vote for the dispensation to Prof. Reiley were demanded, with the following result:

Ayes.—Peter Stryker, J. T. Duryee, S. B. Schieffelin, John I. Brower, John S. Ebaugh, M. S. Hutton, L. Mohn, A. H. Warner, W. R. Duryee, P. A. Studdeford, P. S. Duryee, E. T. Corwin, David Cole, J. C. Sears, J. V. M. Wyckoff, David G. Thomas, H. P. Thompson, J. F. Mesick, R. Van Amburg, B. H. Horton, B. B. Burniston, J. E. Bernart, N. Conklin, C. B. Durand, Abraham C. Van Duyn, Jonathan Webb, Julius Hones, C. L. Wells, John Lefferts, F. J. Horsford, A. J. Beckman, J. C. Boice, E. S. Porter, T. S. Doolittle, W. H. Ten Eyck, Wm. H. Phraner, Joseph Kimball, F. M. Kip, Isaac Riggs, Walter Brett, E. H. Bedford, T. B. Romeyn, W. B. Voorhees, J. Van Zandt, D. D. Demarest, A. J. Sebring, John G. Johnson, Stephen Rossman, M. H. Hutton, A. T. Stewart, S. P. York, E. W. Collier, S. Lockwood, Wm. Bailey, R. G. Strong, Gilbert Wemple, W. P. Davis, D. Vedder, E. L. Heermance, Elbert Nevius, W. Ostrander, T. L. Shaffer, S. H. Cobb, Sanford Marselis, A. H. Meyers, Wm. D. Buckelew, Edward Schoonmaker, L. H. Van Dyck, J. D. Krum, R. M. Stanbrough, Daniel Groff, George H. Cook, John Vanderveer, A. G. Vernilye, J. R. Talmage, Thomas H. Wood, M. V. Schoonmaker, L. L. Comfort, James L. Lamoree, Sidney Kidd, C. Rockwell, C. Spaulding, S. P. M. Hastings, Frederick Sax, J. B. Whitbeck, J. W. Dunnewald, J. J. Warnshuis, R. De Witt, B. C. Lippenecott, Du Bois Lefevre, Josiah Markle, T. A. Gardner, Abram Marshall, T. C. Whiteside, W. J. Skillman, D. Vermilye, J. W. Beardslee, C. G. Vanderveer, E. P. Livingston, P. Phelps, C. Vanderveen, John Polhemus, S. A. Bumstead, Charles W. Wilson, William A. Shaw.—105.

Nays.—Wm. R. Gordon, B. C. Taylor, J. T. Demarest, John Manly, D. D. Smith, P. Van Wyck, Theo. F. Cornell, P. Crispell, John Steele—9.

Henry E. Decker was excused from voting.

Synod proceeded on the seventh day of the session to the appointment of a Professor of Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric.

A number of candidates for the Professorship were nominated.

On the succeeding day the Synod, after a session of special prayer, proceeded to the election of a Professor. On counting the ballots, it appeared that Rev. David D. Demarest was elected. Whereupon it was

Resolved, unanimously, that Rev. David D. Demarest be and hereby is appointed Professor of Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church. •

Resolved, That 'an instrument certifying the appointment and specifying the duties of the office be signed in the presence of the General Synod, by the President thereof, and by him be given in the name of the Church to the Professor elect.

Resolved, That the salary of the Professor elect be eighteen hundred dollars per annum, and the use of a house.

Resolved, That the President be appointed to wait upon Rev. David D. Demarest, to inform him of his election, and obtain from him his decision, and that he be accompanied by Rev. M. S. Hutton, and Elder Samuel B. Schieffelin.

Rev. D. D. Demarest appeared in Synod, and signified his acceptance of the office.

It was resolved that the Professor of Pastoral Theology and Sacred Rhetoric be inaugurated into his office on Tuesday, the 19th of September next, at eleven o'clock, A. M., in the First Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, in New Brunswick; and that in addition to the inaugural address to be delivered on that occasion by the Professor elect, the Rev. Acmon P. Van Gieson be and hereby is appointed to deliver a sermon, and the Rev. Mancius S. Hutton, to deliver a charge to the Professor; and that Rev. Talbot W. Chambers be Secundus to Rev. Acmon P. Van Gieson; and that Rev. Elbert S. Porter be Secundus to Rev. Mancius S. Hutton, and that the President of the Synod preside on the occasion.

Resolved, That a committee, consisting of Messrs. Johnson Letson, John C. Elmendorf, and Lewis Applegate, be appointed to aid the Professor in his removal to New Brunswick, and that the Treasurer of the General Synod is hereby authorized to pay for the same.

Resolved, That the appropriation of five hundred dollars be made to Rev. Professor De Witt, for house rent, to be continued for another year.

Resolved, That five hundred dollars be allowed Rev. Professor Berg, to provide him with a house for the current year, in lieu of the residence lately occupied by him.

Resolved, That the house lately occupied by Professor Berg in the College be placed at the disposal of the Professor elect, as a residence until 1867, unless the Trustees should prefer to pay five hundred dollars per year until 1867, to obtain possession thereof.

Resolved, That the increase of salary, authorized by Synod to be paid to the three senior Professors of the Theological Seminary, date from June 1st, 1865.

Resolved, That the salary of the Professor elect date from July 1, 1865.

Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Superintendents of the Theological Seminary whose term of service had expired.

Nominations were received from the Classes of Kingston, Cayuga, Rensselaer, Ulster, Illinois, Holland, Schenectady.

The Committee on Nominations reported a double number from which to choose members for the Classes of New York, Paramus and Greene.

The following were elected: Rev. J. N. Voorhis for the Classis of Kingston, Rev. Joachim Elmendorf for the Classis of Cayuga, Rev. Benjamin F. Snyder for the Classis of Rensselaer, Rev. John C. F. Hoes for the Classis of Ulster, Rev. Joseph T. Duryee for the Classis of New York, Rev. J. T. Demarest for the Classis of Paramus, Rev. Cyril Spaulding for the Classis of Greene, Rev. A. Thompson for the Classis of Illinois, Rev. P. J. Oggel for the Classis of Holland, and Rev. R. L. Schoonmaker for the Classis of Schenectady for one year, to supply the vacancy caused by the death of Rev. E. E. Seelye.

The following persons having been nominated by the Particular Synod of Chicago, were appointed members of the Board of Superintendents of the Holland Academy: For the Classis of Michigan, Rev. S. J. Rogers; for the Classis of Illinois, Rev. C. G. Vanderveer; for the Classis of Holland, Rev. P. J. Oggel; for the Classis of Wisconsin, Rev. John Vandermeulen.

The following persons were elected members of the Standing Committee on the Peter Hertzog Theological Hall: Rev. N. E. Smith, to serve three years, and John Demott, to serve two years,

in the place of Rev. J. W. Schenck, resigned, and Johnson Letson, to serve one year, in the place of Rev. J. F. Mesick, resigned. •

ARTICLE XV.

STUDENTS IN THEOLOGY.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVI.

CHURCH VISITATION.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVII.

PREVAILING SINS.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XVIII.

MISSIONS.

The Thirty-third Annual Report of the Board of Foreign Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions, with the exception of the report of vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Missions.

The Thirty-third Annual Report of the Board of Domestic Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions, with the exception of the report of vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Domestic Missions was received, and referred to the Committee on Domestic Missions.

The Committee on Foreign Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Foreign Missions respectfully report that they have carefully examined the Thirty-third Annual Report of the Board, and find it so full in statement and gratifying in result that any abstract or condensation of contents cannot supply a just view

of the operations of the Board during the year. They, therefore, confine themselves to the main points requiring the action of Synod.

Notwithstanding the financial embarrassments occasioned by the troubles of the country, and the large demands of loyalty which our membership have been called to honor, the Church has shown by a greatly increased liberality how deeply her heart is penetrated by the fact that the present aspect of the times, more imperiously than ever, demand her strongest efforts in the missionary work. In this we greatly rejoice. Growth, progress, patient continuance in well doing are terms expressive of the dominant idea which seems to be vitalizing her faith, and urging the greatest expenditure of her strength in *the work of Missions*, for which her existence was ordained, and to which her best efforts should be given.

The details of the Report are very encouraging to our faith and hope that ready hands and willing hearts are multiplying among us. We are informed that the sum total of receipts during the past year amounts to \$82,038 22. Of this sum \$2,300 was given by the American Bible Society, leaving \$79,738 22 as an amount contributed by our people to the advancement of this cause. We trust this contribution, far exceeding that of any previous year, is an earnest of greater things yet to be realized in the manifestation of a becoming zeal for the triumph of the Gospel throughout the world.

With all this enlarged liberality, however, we regret to say the Board has been unable to avoid the accumulation of another debt, and at the same time meet all its maturing obligations and unavoidable expenditures. At the close of the last fiscal year a debt of \$10,000 weighed heavily upon the Board, but in response to a special effort, it was swept off, and the hope was that the Board should this year be able to come before Synod without a similar feature in the front of its Report. But facts exist and circumstances control, irrespective of human preferences. In consequence of the compulsory return of Dr. H. M. Scudder, on account of broken-down health, the amount of money contributed as aforesaid has not been sufficient to meet the demands. We are told, "The Board closes the year in debt to a serious amount. The amount borrowed upon securities of the Board, added to other obligations, makes the present indebtedness some \$12,000, or thereabouts."

Moreover, the Board at this moment are in pressing need of funds to pay their Missionaries. The liabilities for the next thirty days will be about \$7,000; the money is imperatively needed to meet drafts from abroad, various sums falling due in July, August, September, October, and November next. The Treasurer has pledged all the securities of the Board for money borrowed.

There is not the half of the sum last named in the hands of the Treasurer, and there is no way of borrowing it. The only course therefore left, to which the Synod is shut up, is to bring the matter before the whole Church, so as to secure the prompt, vigorous and simultaneous action of *all the Churches* of the denomination.

Another matter must now be noticed which the Board deems of vital importance to the successful continuance of its labors. We quote from the Report: "The Board has had the benefit of individual security most kindly offered by members of the Finance Committee. An arrangement has been made with Brown, Brothers & Co., giving the Board ample credit for future operations. It is only necessary that the General Synod endorse the bond of the Board," upon which they may get, what is absolutely needed, an extended basis of credit. This is a *sine qua non*.

To enable all the members of Synod to understand and duly estimate the request of the Board, your Committee beg leave to say that their financial operations must be conducted through the agency of the bankers. It is absolutely necessary to have a credit with well known bankers sufficient to meet all the demands of the Missions for money. This is to be done by complying with the demands of the banker as to preliminary security. Having furnished that, the banker will issue to us from time to time letters of credit, which we send directly to the Mission Treasurer in India, Japan, or China. The letter of credit is a document authorizing the Mission Treasurer to draw on Brown, Shipley & Co., of Liverpool, for the amount specified in the letter of credit. The Mission Treasurer then sells his draft on Brown, Shipley & Co. (drawn at six months), for money, and Brown, Shipley & Co. accept the draft on presentation in England; and fifteen days before it matures our Board pays the amount to Brown, Brother & Co., here. A letter of credit is good to the Mission Treasurer until twelve months from its date expires.

From this, it would seem that a sum of £10,000 is none too much credit for the Board to have, because these letters under it can be had at any moment required, and on arrival out, are immediately convertible into money. This matter, your Committee learn, is deemed by the Board of vital importance—so much so, that they see no course left but to recall our Missionaries from the foreign field, unless the basis of credit be at once enlarged, as they propose; for another letter of credit cannot be obtained without resorting to individual security. And if the Synod are timorous to trust the Board in this matter, how can the Board ask individuals to trust it?

Your Committee feel that the Synod may rely upon the intelligence and wisdom of those elders now on its floor, familiar with financial operations, to guide it to a prudent step respecting the resolution hereinafter recommended.

Your Committee are happy to say that the amount of invested funds have been considerably increased during the past year—\$15,545 set apart as a security fund, will afford an annual sum available for the ordinary purposes of the Board, and for contingencies that may arise from fluctuations in the money market.

The survey of the Missions as given in the Report presents matters both for sorrow and joy, to which, because it should be read with

attention, we need now only make allusion; but there is one other subject in this relation deserving special attention. The Report says: "Pre-eminent among the objects which need to be secured, is the establishment of a *Medical Dispensary*," as called for by the Missionaries in India. This matter they urge with an earnestness of plea that induces the Board "fully to endorse the application, and beg the Synod and Churches to furnish the means for this important part of the work in India."

The Report bewails the removal and death of some of its most efficient members, and makes a record of its gratitude for their invaluable services. While the Synod regards with affectionate remembrance the worth and services of those dear brethren who have been recently removed from us, it is called upon to mourn especially the loss of their well tried and long tried Missionary, Rev. Elihu Doty, who has devoted himself for a period of some twenty-eight years to the service of preaching the Gospel among the heathen in Borneo and China. The Master who has said to him, "Come up, hither," is able to answer our prayers for the supply of his place in the important field where he has so recently and so efficiently done the work of a good soldier of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Among other matters of interest, an encouraging view is given of the Japanese Mission, which, we are informed, "seems much nearer the accomplishment of its great purpose than ever before." For this we thank God, and take courage.

Wishing to avoid the composition of a paper which would merely duplicate important statements of the Report, your Committee conclude with recommending such resolutions as seem to them to be called for in connection with the action already had upon it:

1. *Resolved*, That gratitude to Almighty God is due for his special favor to our Board of Foreign Missions, which has been so largely blessed during the trying period of our civil war.

2. *Resolved*, That the Minister and Consistory of every Church in our connection be earnestly requested to present the difficulties of the Board before their congregation, and take up a collection for its speedy relief, on the second Sabbath of July next, or as soon after as can be made convenient.

3. *Resolved*, That the General Synod approve of the opening a credit by their Board of Foreign Missions to the amount of eight thousand pounds sterling, for the purpose of carrying on their Missionary operations abroad.

4. *Resolved*, That the subject of a medical dispensary be commended to the attention and material aid of all who feel an interest in the success of the cause of Missions in India.

5. *Resolved*, That the first week in January, 1866, be observed as a season of special prayer, for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon all Evangelical Missionary operations throughout the world.

6. *Resolved*, That the practice of systematic benevolence is an important part of the early training of youth, and should be especially inculcated from the pulpit as one of the best exponents of Christian character.

7. *Resolved*, That the Report of this Board be published and bound up with the Minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. R. GORDON,
Chairman.

The ayes and nays were demanded on the vote on Resolution No. 3, and are as follows:

Ayes.—J. T. Duryee, S. B. Schieffelin, M. S. Hutton, L. Mohn, A. H. Warner, B. C. Taylor, Wm. R. Duryee, Jno. S. Lott, Peter S. Duryee, Jno. P. Hardenbergh, E. T. Corwin, David Cole, J. C. Sears, J. V. M. Wyckoff, G. H. Cook, John F. Mesick, B. B. Burniston, J. E. Bernart, N. Conklin, C. B. Durand, A. C. Van Duyn, Jonathan Webb, John Manly, John T. Demarest, T. Sanford Doolittle, Julius Hones, John Lefferts, A. J. Beckman, I. C. Boice, Wm. H. Ten Eyck, Walter Brett, T. B. Romeyn, W. B. Voorhees, F. M. Kip, D. D. Demarest, A. J. Sebring, John G. Johnson, Stephen Rossman, M. H. Hutton, W. E. Bogardus, S. P. York, E. W. Collier, G. H. Smock, Joseph Scudder, R. G. Strong, T. F. Cornell, G. Wemple, A. DuBois, W. P. Davis, E. L. Heermance, Isaac L. Kip, Elbert Nevins, T. L. Shaffer, A. H. Meyers, W. D. Buckelew, Luther Laffin, John Vanderveer, A. G. Vermilye, J. R. Talmage, L. L. Comfort, Sidney Kidd, Cyril Spaulding, S. P. M. Hastings, B. C. Lippincott, P. Crispell, T. E. De Witt, Josiah Markle, T. A. Gardner, T. C. Whiteside, J. W. Beardslee, C. G. Vanderveer, S. A. Bumstead, John Polhemus, C. Vanderveen, P. Phelps, Jr.; John S. Ebaugh.—76.

Nays.—Jno. I. Brower, W. R. Gordon, R. Van Amburgh, C. L. Wells, A. T. Stewart, D. Vedder, W. A. Shaw, L. H. Van Dyck, J. D. Krum, Daniel Groff, R. De Witt, Du Bois Lefevre, W. J. Skillman, D. Vermilye, Charles Wilson.—15.

The Committee on Domestic Missions presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted:

The Committee on Domestic Missions respectfully report:

That the following papers have been placed in their hands, viz: The Thirty-third Annual Report of the Board, a Tabular Statement of the Treasurer of the Board, and a communication calling the attention of General Synod to the cause of the Jews living in the United States.

The Report of the Board gives a very encouraging view of its work during the past year. This work has, as the Report states, "Closed amid scenes of the most unbounded joy and the bitterest grief." The ending of the rebellion as a source of joy, and the assassination of the beloved President of these United States, of grief, are the events referred to. But so far as the immediate work of the Board is concerned, quite as severe an affliction has fallen upon it in the removal by death of its venerable and beloved President, Mr. Wm. B. Crosby, who for many successive years served them "with distinguished ability and acceptance." An appropriate record has been entered upon the minutes of the Board, a copy of which appears in the Report. It is hoped that the Report will be printed, so that the Church may be put in possession of the information it contains, and have set before them the example of this Christian brother who consecrated his "time and property and influence to the glory of God and the welfare of the Church." Of him it may be truly said, "The memory of the just is blessed."

The Report refers to discouragements in the "slow pace with which some of the Churches long dependent upon the Board come up to strength and efficiency—in the fact that others regarded as established call for aid lest the ordinances of the Gospel cease to be administered among them; and in the further fact, that there has been serious difficulty in obtaining Missionaries for vacant fields, especially in the West. Yet notwithstanding these discouragements, the testimony is given to us that "the year has been one of great blessing" Your Committee think that the facts contained in the Report fully justify this declaration.

FINANCIAL CONDITION.

It is certainly most gratifying to hear that at the close of the fiscal year the Treasurer had in hand a balance of \$4,969 58. But it is, we think, especially gratifying to be informed "that this balance has already been seriously affected by the appointments lately made, and will all be absorbed when the remaining vacancies are filled, and the new fields which we have resolved to occupy shall have been furnished with Missionaries." The Board in this particular are but fulfilling the injunction of the Master—"Freely ye have received, freely give."

The number of contributing Churches has not been increased, and yet the sum total of the receipts exceed those of last year. The amount of receipts last year was \$21,437 62. The amount received this year is \$24,315 83. Of this latter amount the Mission Churches have contributed \$875 80, somewhat more than was received into the treasury from this source during the year preceding. The liberality of these Churches has abounded out of the depth of their poverty. When those who are more favored shall respond with a corresponding liberality, there will be furnished to the treasury

whatever means may be necessary to carry on the most enlarged operations in the Home Missionary field.

Your Committee are gratified to find that with the financial prosperity of the Board, there also comes to the Synod, in the Report, a grateful record of the spiritual results. More than 500 have been received into the communion of the Churches aided, 328 of whom were received on confession of their faith. Some special seasons of grace have been reported to the Board, although in most of the Churches the increase has been gradual. But when spiritual results are spoken of, the above gives us only a partial view of what must have been accomplished. The Missionaries of the Board feeling themselves charged with the spiritual welfare of the children and youth gathered in the Sabbath Schools, and laboring as opportunity offers among them, there must have been much seed sown that will gladden the Church with fruits, though the report of its ingathering may not come to us now.

There are 5,390 children in connection with the 88 schools of the Board, seven of which were organized during the year. The receipts of the treasury in this department for the year have been \$1,260 25.

In relation to the Sabbath school work, we recommend the adoption of the following resolution :

Resolved, That the importance of educating the rising generation in the doctrines and principles of the Gospel cannot be overestimated, and that the Board be requested to bring this agency prominently before the Church, with the view of securing more liberal contributions in aid of this portion of the work committed to its care.

It is to be regretted that the Board have found the "difficulties to be insuperable in the way of carrying out the recommendation of the last General Synod to send out a number of young men to occupy prominent positions contiguous to each other in the West, with a view to building up new Churches and forming new Classes." These difficulties, however, may yet be overcome, and measures have been adopted to this end. The Board has secured the services of the Rev. J. B. Thompson, who will visit the West this summer, and it is hoped that he will bring a good report of the "land to be possessed."

The following is recommended for adoption :

Resolved, That the appointment of the Rev. J. B. Thompson to visit the West meets the approval of this Synod.

Resolved, That the work of our Domestic Missionary Board, both in the East and West, demands the fervent prayers and liberal contributions of our Churches.

Resolved, That the call for laborers in this field presses upon God's people the duty of importunate prayer that the Lord may "Send forth laborers into the harvest."

Resolved, That the Board endeavor to enlist prominent and able men for this service, and send them forth to the work as soon as practicable.

THE SOUTH.

By the action of the last Synod the attention of the Board was called to the South, with a view to labor among the white and colored population. The first efforts of the Board in this direction were frustrated by a painful providence. But this resulted in the occupation of a more central and prominent point. The Rev. William Fulton has been appointed a Missionary of the Board in this field, and the prospect is hopeful. Your Committee fully agree with the Board in the opinion that "a field for Gospel effort more immense, nearer at hand, or promising, if rightly directed, was never opened to the Church in this land." Our beloved Church should not shrink from the responsibility which God in his Providence has thrown upon her in common with the other denominations around us. And if, as is intimated in the Report may be the case, there should come from the Board a loud call for men and money, there ought to be a hearty response.

We recommend the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That the Board of Domestic Missions hold themselves in readiness, as far as possible, to enter any fields at the South where a prospect offers of establishing our Church, both among the white population and the freedmen, taking due care in their proceedings not to excite prejudices among any class of the Southern population against either our Ministry or Church.

CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

This fund seems to be laboring under great embarrassment. To such straits has the Board been reduced that money has been borrowed "for the purpose of loaning it to the fund," and at the present time all applications for aid are of necessity refused. Only forty-one Churches—seven less than last year, and twenty-six less than the year before—have made collections in aid of this fund. The result to the treasury is \$1,067 43 against \$2,756 26 contributed in this way last year. The total amount invested on account of this fund for which the Synod holds securities is \$8,636 22. Your Committee feel that this fund is vitally connected with the successful prosecution of the Home Missionary work; and though it may have been questioned, as the Report informs us, whether "the existence of this fund is not actually a hindrance to the purpose which it was designed to subserve," yet it ought not, it must not be given up. We recommend that the action of General Synod last year on this subject be reaffirmed in the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That in the opinion of this Synod the interests of our denomination, and the glory of the Redeemer in our Domestic Mis-

sionary operations, demand a large increase of our Church Building Fund."

"*Resolved*, That we invite the attention of Classes, Pastors and Consistories to this subject, and earnestly exhort them to secure from their respective Churches an annual collection for this Fund."

We also recommend the adoption of the following :

Resolved, That the Board be authorized to take such measures as it may deem expedient to secure at an early a day as practicable an endowment of the Church Building Fund to an amount of not less than \$50,000.

A communication from a Missionary to the Jews in the city of New York, asking the coöperation of this Synod in labors for the conversion of Israel, has been referred to this Committee. The large numbers of this interesting people who live in the city of New York naturally call upon the Reformed Dutch Church for sympathy and aid. If a suitable preacher could be found, to labor as a Missionary among the Jews in the city of New York, your Committee think that the Board of Domestic Missions would do well to appoint him. But inasmuch as such is not likely to be the case at present, and may not be for some time, your Committee submit the following :

Resolved, That the Society for Ameliorating the condition of the Jews be commended to the liberality of the Churches.

In conclusion, your Committee recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Annual Report be printed and bound with the Minutes of the Synod, for distribution among the Churches

Resolved, That this Synod tender to the Board, and to the Secretary, whose labors have been abundant, its congratulations on the work of the past year, and relying with them solely upon the blessing of the Holy Ghost, to earnestly bespeak for the cause entrusted to their care the prayers and liberality of all the Churches.

We append the following:

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF OPERATIONS AND RESULTS.

	1864.	1865.
Churches and Missions aided.....	72	75
" " " at the East.....	50	52
" " " at the West.....	22	22
" " " at the South.....	0	1
Missionaries and Missionary Pastors.....	59	64
" " " at the East.....	40	45
" " " at the West.....	19	18
" " " at the South....	0	1
Churches become self-sustaining.....	5	4
New Churches organized.....	3	1

	1864.	1865.
New houses of worship completed and entered.. . . .	3	5
“ “ in process of construction...	4	2
Received to church membership.....	609	501
“ “ on Confession.....	424	328
“ “ by Certificate.....	185	173
Number of members in Mission Churches.....	4,205	4,239
“ Families.....	3,403	3,212
“ Sunday schools.....	80	88
“ Scholars.....	5,849	5,390
Contributions by the Missions to Domestic Missions.....	\$780 98	\$875 80
Contributions to other benevolent objects...	2,615 80	2,170 90
Receipts of the Treasury.....	21,437 62	24,315 88
“ “ City Missionary Society....	2,230 25	
Balance on hand May 1, 1865.....		4,969 58

Respectfully submitted by order of the Committee.

W. H. TEN EYCK, *Chairman.*

Resolved, That the Churches of this Synod be requested to send to the Treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions their collections for said Board every three months.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, the Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Foreign Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Revs. Isaac Ferris, E. P. Rogers, W. J. R. Taylor, D. McL. Quackenbush, James Demarest, Jr., Messrs. James B. Sanders, John A. Hardenbergh, James A. Williamson.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, the Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Domestic Missions whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that the following were elected: Revs. I. N. Wyckoff, John Garretson, H. D. Ganse, G. Abeel, Anson Du Bois, and Messrs. Jacob B. Jewett, John A. Hardenbergh, Henry Camerden, Jr., James Meyers.

ARTICLE XIX.

WIDOWS' AND DISABLED MINISTERS' FUNDS.

Reports were received from Rev. Alex. McKelvey, agent of the Classis of Paramus for the Widows' Fund, and Rev. D. D. Demarest,

agent for the Classis of Hudson, and Rev. C. Rockwell, agent for the Classis of Greene, which were referred to the Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds.

The Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on the Widows' and Disabled Ministers' Funds would respectfully report. The papers committed to them are the following :

I. The Report of the Board of Direction, showing the present condition and management of the Funds and the following statistics :

1st. Of the Widows' Fund :

Principal.....	\$22,942 17
Church collections.....	942 08
Withdrawn	330 00
Number of subscribers.....	62
Amount disbursed to annuitants.....	234 00

2d. Disabled Ministers' Fund :

Donations from Churches and individuals.	\$558 06
Paid out.....	820 00
Balance on hand last year.....	650 86
" now on hand.....	438 92

II. A communication from Alexander McKelvey, Synod's agent in behalf of the Widows' Fund in the Classis of Paramus, reporting that eleven Churches in that Classis have rendered collections, and another, not rendered, had been taken, and the conclusion reached is, that the aggregate will suffice to retain the membership in that Fund of all the ministers of Classis. A noble precedent, worthy of emulation by all the Churches of the denomination.

III. A report from D. D. Demarest, agent of the Widows' Fund in the Classis of Hudson, from which we learn that three Churches have been visited, and contributions made by them to the Fund.

Rendering thanks to God for the evidence of increased prosperity, which the statistics prove have waited upon these Funds respectively the past year, and bespeaking earnest prayers and concerted effort on the part of the whole Church, and without making any suggestions, in view of the well defined, and, as we suppose, settled policy of the Church in their regard,

Your Committee would respectfully submit their Report.

N. CONKLIN, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XX.

BOARD OF PUBLICATION.

The Eleventh Annual Report of the Board of Publication was presented and referred to the Committee on Publication, with the exception of the report of vacancies, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Publication was received and referred to the Committee on Publication.

The Committee on Publication presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted :

The Committee on Publication respectfully submit, that the Report of the Board of Publication, referred to them, is a strong and able one, although, perhaps, unnecessarily extended in length.

The Committee would venture the suggestion to the Board, that in future reports it might be well to remember, that as to much of the Board's work during the year, the results rather than the particulars going to make up these results is what the Churches want in all such documents. Of course Synod, and afterward the Churches, desire sufficient minuteness of detail to enable them to understand how the Board's stewardship has been performed, but Synod and the Churches have too great confidence in the Board to require in the preparation of each Annual Report the patient industry displayed in the one now considered.

Examining the Report in its several divisions, the Committee notice under the heading "Depository," a recommendation that a salesman of practical experience and extended acquaintance with the book trade be employed in the Depository, which suggestion appears to them a wise one; and if such an one cannot be provided under the existing rule of management for the Depository, it might be well to give authority for the engagement of such a clerk; but great care should be exercised not to increase the expenses of the Board, except in strictly necessary ways. At present, *i. e.*, during the past year, the cost of what may be called the mercantile administration of the Board, *i. e.*, its expenditures for office rent, agent, clerks, &c., not including the expenses of the army agent, which are excluded because his work has been partly that of a Missionary, the cost, we say, of the mercantile administration of the Board has been \$2,748 48, while the total amount of receipts, army agent's work included, has been only \$26,741 10, which makes the proportion of the gross receipts of the Board spent for conducting its mercantile business between one-ninth ($\frac{1}{9}$) and one-tenth, ($\frac{1}{10}$) *i. e.*, over ten (10) per cent. This, in view of the fact that much of the Board's work of collection, publication, and circulation is done by those who

make no charge for their labor, appears a large per centage, and should challenge the attention of the Board, to the end of every possible reduction of it, and a most scrupulous care to allow no such thing as partially sinecure employees. If the new clerkship spoken of be established, it may be found possible to combine his duties with those of the present agent or some other clerk.

In the part of the Report entitled "Publication Department," your Committee find nothing requiring comment except the unnecessary particularization before alluded to of the size, &c., of the various publications of the year. The list, as given, occupies eight entire pages, *i. e.*, one-fifth ($\frac{1}{5}$) of the whole Report, exclusive of the final summing-up, which we in part repeat for the benefit of those who did not hear the Report read.

Number of copies of new books.....	4,500
“ “ reprints, old books.....	22,050
“ “ new tracts.....	7,000
“ “ reprints, old tracts.....	43,000
“ “ Missionary Recorder...	60,000
“ “ Sower.....	34,000

From the lucid report of the Treasurer, we learn that the income of the Board for the last year from all sources, including the balance when the year began of \$216 62, has been \$26,957 72, and the expenditure \$26,796 46, leaving a balance when the present year began of \$161 26. Of the receipts, much the largest part, \$21,273 57, has been from the Depository, showing a want of practical interest in the Board on the part of our congregations, which we can only regret, and pray to have removed. Between five and six thousand dollars (\$5,000, \$6,000) is surely too small a sum to be contributed by all our Churches to one of our chief Boards.

The agent reports the stock, the credits and debits of the Board in full minuteness, and as the result of his statement, shows that the present capital of the Board is \$20,329 54, which is a gratifying increase over the amount reported last year of more than \$3,000. As far as your Committee can judge, the management of what may be called the capital of the Board is conducted on sound business principles, and with genuine business tact.

In the part of the Report which relates to the freedmen, mention is made of the series of Christian school books prepared by Elder S. B. Schieffelin, and it is asked that the Churches and individuals be advised by General Synod to provide funds, that these books may be introduced into schools established for the freedmen, either in the way of grants, or by offering a discount to purchasers, as is the practice with publishers of ordinary school books. The request impresses your Committee as a judicious and important one. The freedmen need to have particular attention bestowed upon them, not only that they may receive secular instruction, but that at the same time, and as far as possible by the same agency, they shall

be rooted and grounded in the essentials of true religion, as otherwise their education, necessarily in many cases a superficial one, will only tend to make them irreligious. Besides, they require, with their adult mental habits, not simply the milk adapted to babes, such as most elementary school books, with their mere array of letters and syllables afford, but also such strong meat, adapted to satisfy the cravings of a practically mature, although scholastically uninformed mind, as is supplied in the elements of Christian truth.

For such considerations, and because also it is reasonable to suppose that the tropical, oriental cast of the African mind will make them especially quick to seize hold upon the teaching, which has, as a covering for the baldness of primary instruction, the substantial parts of the Revelation which was given in the Orient, and is permeated with the oriental spirit—for such reasons your Committee heartily endorse the request of the Board, that they be enabled to furnish their Christian school books to the freedmen, both in the way of gift and of unremunerative sale, and that this may be effected, they propose to the Synod the following resolution :

Resolved, That in taking up their annual collections for the Board of Publication, pastors be requested to make special reference to the Board's work among the freedmen.

The Board report a discontinuance of the *Missionary Recorder*, and a revival of the *Sower*, in a way which makes it the organ for all our benevolent bodies. Your Committee regard this as a movement in the right direction. Perhaps in time it will be found possible to accomplish similar concentration of agency, and consequent reduction of expense in other particulars of the management of our benevolent bodies. Perhaps some of the members of the present Synod may live to see the day when there will be the one general office and the one general agent for all the benevolent operations of our Church.

Your Committee would advise, that as the Board requests the General Synod commend the *Sower* to all our families, and that this may be something more than a vague and glittering generality effecting nothing, they would suggest the following resolution :

Resolved, That each pastor and consistory of our denomination are requested by General Synod to make an especial effort to secure the introduction of the *Sower* into every family of their respective Churches.

The Board report that they have given careful attention to a recommendation originating in the Particular Synod of Chicago, that a denominational almanac be published, with special reference to extending the knowledge of our Church at the West, and also that a translation of Dr. Demarest's History of the Dutch Church be published for the benefit of our Holland brethren. They say that such publications would be of advantage to us as a denomination, but, inasmuch as their cost would be large and their circulation

necessarily small, they do not deem it wise to proceed with their issue at present, although they would be glad to be furnished with funds from individual sources, that they may feel free to do so.

Your Committee commend the prudence of the Board's action in this matter, and would advise that they hold to the views adopted.

With regard to the recommendation of the last General Synod, that the Board prepare a Hymn and Tune Book for our Sabbath schools, and report to the Synod at present session, the Board say, that they considered the matter at their first meeting after the passage of the recommendation, and unanimously agreed that, in view of the many Sunday school hymn books already before the public, it was inexpedient to do as was suggested. They, however, express their willingness to act as Synod shall now direct, and suggest, that, if such a book be published, it be enjoined by Synod upon all our Churches to use it, *and it only*, in all our Sabbath schools subject to their control.

Your Committee regard the publication of such a book, provided it be a proper one, as highly important. Our Sabbath schools are our children's Churches, the places where they especially worship, or should worship God, and receive instruction in Christian truth; and the future of the Reformed Protestant Dutch Church, yes, and of the nation and so of the world, is being determined in no small degree in them. Many of the hymns now sung in these nurseries of the Church are good ones, in the use of which God is truly worshiped, and the religious emotions educed and rightly directed.

So is it with many of our present Sabbath school hymns; none could ask for better ones; but many others, bound up with these good ones, and in many schools sung equally with them, are either negatively or positively bad, or both. Some hymns of this class are mere songs to praise the Sunday school, and the Sunday school army, and the Sunday school banner, and the Sunday school picnic, &c., and others of them reach positive error, and in no way do they lead forth the heart and mind towards God and heavenly things, and their use in Christian schools, on the Christian Sabbath, is indeed "a folly in Israel."

Therefore your Committee think that the Dutch Church should provide a hymn and tune book for the benefit of the lambs of the flock. And they also think that now is the time to do it.

We hope that the day for a rapid denominational extension has arrived, and one instrumentality to the up-building of new Churches is the Sabbath school, and it is highly important to have such nuclei of future churches furnished with a truly Christian apparatus. And besides, other denominations, equally with ourselves, are dissatisfied with the present class of Sabbath school hymn books, and we may reasonably expect, will we publish a truly good one, that they will purchase such at our depository. To make such book a truly good one, careful attention should be given both to the words and tunes.

The words should be evangelical in form, and poetic—really poetry, and not mere jingle—poetic in form, and the music should correspond. Influenced by these considerations, your Committee respectfully submit the following resolution for passage by General Synod, if it see fit.

Resolved, That a committee be appointed, consisting of three ministers and two elders, to elaborate a paper on this subject of S. S. music, to be presented to the next General Synod.

Your Committee notice nothing else in the Report submitted to them, requiring the present action of Synod.

A paper has been laid before them, being a petition from members of the German Churches of our denomination, asking that the Liturgy of the Church be printed in German, for use in such Churches.

Your Committee would suggest the following action upon this paper:

Resolved, That the petition for the printing of the Liturgy of the R. P. D. Church in German, for the benefit of the German brethren in our churches, be referred to the Board of Publication, with authority to so publish, if it appears best.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

EDGAR L. HEERMANCE,

Chairman.

The following were appointed the committee to prepare a paper on S. S. Hymn and Tune Book: Rev. J. T. Duryce, A. G. Vermilye, H. D. Ganse, Messrs. James A. Williamson, D. P. Horton.

The Committee on Nominations having reported, Synod proceeded to fill the places of those in the Board of Publication whose term of service has expired. On counting the ballots it appeared that Revs. Thomas De Witt, Thomas C. Strong, Elbert S. Porter, Joseph Scudder, and Messrs. James Myers, Jonathan L. Burr, Maurice E. Viele, Samuel B. Stewart were elected.

ARTICLE XXI.

PARTICULARIA.

The communication containing the Van Benschoten Bequest was read.

Resolved, That the usual number of copies of a list of the officers, members, and standing committees be printed for the use of the Synod.

It was Resolved, That a committee be appointed to report reso-

lutions in recognition of God in the recent history of our country and of the indications of His providence in the future.

The following committee was appointed: Revs. F. N. Zabriskie, Wm. Reiley, B. C. Taylor, Elders Peter Crispell, Jr., John I. Brower.

The committee presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted unanimously:

The committee appointed to draft resolutions recognizing the providence of God in our recent national victories, respectfully beg leave to report for the consideration of the Synod the following resolutions:

First, Resolved, That this Synod recognizes with unfeigned and devout gratitude the marvelous and merciful providence of God during the last year, particularly in the victories of our armies, the suppression of the rebellion, the destruction of the system of oppression, and the prospects of returning harmony and prosperity. With mingled joy and humility we ascribe all these things to that mighty God, whose right hand and whose holy arm have gotten Him the victory, and with intense longing we will watch and pray for such an outpouring of His Spirit on our scourged and guilty land as shall heal the divisions, console the griefs, and remove the sins of the nation, and insure to us not only peace, but righteousness and joy in the Holy Ghost.

Second, Resolved, That we recognize in the situation in which the war has left the Southern states, a loud and imperative call to philanthropic and Christian efforts, and pledge ourselves to use our utmost exertions for the harmonizing and evangelizing of the population, the amelioration of the condition of the freedmen, and the restoring of the waste places in Zion by our Domestic Missionary operations.

Third, Resolved, That while we have no sympathy with that false spirit of charity, born of Universalism and Humanitarianism, that would arrest the vindication of justice and the punishment of guilt, we counsel the largest possible exercise of clemency towards the deluded and the repentant, forgiving their trespasses as Christ has forgiven us.

Fourth, Resolved, That in the sudden and violent death of our tried and trusted President, Abraham Lincoln, we recognize, with the submission of faith, a mystery which says, "Be still, and know that I am God;" a chastisement which shows that even four years of civil war have not sufficiently humbled and purified us as a Nation; and a call to all of us to be ready at our posts of duty for the Master's summons, whether it come in the middle watch of the night or at the cock-crowing. We bless God for the incalculable service that our late beloved President rendered to the cause of Union and liberty, and for the testimony for Christianity which he left behind him; and

over his new made grave we consecrate ourselves afresh to the country and the cause for which he lived and died, and to the Saviour whom he honored.

F. N. ZABRISKIE, *Chairman.*

Revs. N. Conklin, R. De Witt, and the Elder E. H. Bedford were appointed a Committee of Canvass, to whom the ballots cast for filling vacancies in the several Boards of the Synod, for corresponding delegates, and for a person to preach on the benevolent operations of the Church were committed, who reported the result of the election.

ARTICLE XXII.

BENEVOLENT AND RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS.

A daily prayer meeting was established and held during the sessions of the Synod at 8 o'clock A.M.

An hour was spent in the afternoon of the first day of the session in devotional exercises.

On the afternoon of the second day of the session, after a sermon by Rev. F. N. Zabriskie, the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod, the Secretaries of the Boards of Foreign Missions, Domestic Missions, Education and Publication were heard on the third day of the session, after which an opportunity was given to the members to express their sentiments on the topics presented.

The claims of the American and Foreign Christian Union were presented by its Corresponding Secretary, Rev. Joseph Scudder.

Resolved, That the American and Foreign Christian Union be commended to the Christian sympathy and co-operation of the entire Church, and that the Synod would hail with great delight the intelligence of a liberal contribution from all our Churches to the treasury of this highly important Society.

The claims of the Evangelical churches of France were presented by Rev. T. Monod.

On the afternoon of the sixth day of the session an hour was spent in special prayer for our colleges, at which the President, Faculty and students of Rutger College were present by invitation of the Synod.

A sermon was preached on the evening of the sixth day of the session on the Benevolent Operations of the Church, by Rev. T. B. Romeyn, from 2 Cor. 8 : 7 : "Therefore as ye abound in everything, in faith and utterance, and knowledge and in all diligence, and in your love to us, see that ye abound in this grace also."

The Committee on Nominations having reported a double number of persons from whom to choose a preacher on Benevolent Operations, Synod proceeded to the election, when the Rev. H. R. Timlow was chosen Primarius and Rev. O. E. Cobb Secundus.

TABULAR STATEMENT

Of the Contributions made during the year ending April 30, 1865, by the several Churches, to the (denominational) Boards and Funds recommended by Synod, each sum comprising the total amount received from each Church, whether by church collections or otherwise. [See Synod Proceedings, June, 1862, p. 212.]

CHURCHES	Education	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Disabled Ministers' Fund	Church Building Fund
Classis of Albany							
First Albany.....	175 00	555 93	2388 15	56 00			
Second ".....	151 81	800 00	795 00	53 00			
Third ".....	23 04	16 50	45 50	81 54			9 54
Fourth ".....	6 00		15 00				
First Bethlehem.....			28 23	28 50			
Second do.....	21 00	51 70	68 00	21 00			
Union.....		6 98	6 98				
Jerusalem.....	21 00		50 00				
Coeymans.....	18 45		70 00				
New Baltimore.. ..	14 00	4 00	197 28	55 82	1 60	1 60	
New Salem.....			43 00				
Clarksville.....			8 00				
Westerlo.....	19 00		20 00				
Onisquethaw.....			3 50				
Holland.....	10 00		10 00				
Second Berne.....		15 90					
Classis of Arcot							
Classis of Bergen							
English Neighborhood.....		15 00	80 77				
1st Hackensack.....	89 00	77 75	111 08				7 90
Schraalenbergh.....		46 64	190 78				
New Durham.....	17 00	20 00					
1st Hoboken.....	9 42		47 16				30 85
2d Jersey City.....	65 45	87 57	320 21	15 00			
Ger. North Bergen.....							
Ger. Hoboken.....	8 89		4 79				
2nd Hackensack.....		88 24	52 61				
Ger. Hackensack.....							
Closter City.....			8 75				
S. Classis of Bergen							
Bergen.....	83 00	236 00	531 20				
Belleville.....	15 10	21 75	110 65	10 00			
First Jersey City.....	187 50	182 61	1625 20		27 50		
Bergen Neck.....	11 55		16 50		8 85		
First Newark.....	80 00	649 11	620 09	86 90	118 43		107 09
Irvington.....	22 00	83 60	201 00	12 00	20 00		5 00
First Van Voorst.....	76 48	57 40	865 11		30 15		
Second Newark.....	16 59	17 80	50 46	11 08	15 30	15 96	11 08
Third " German.....							

CHURCHES	Education	Domestic Missions	Foreign Missions	Publication	Widows' Fund	Disabled Ministers' Fund	Church Building Fund
S. Bergen, cont'd							
First Hudson City.....				25 00			
Bergen Point.....		62 16	181 10				
Franklin.....	1 85	15 50	41 00	3 00	3 50		6 00
North Newark.....	70 00	800 00	736 20				
German, Jersey City.....		7 87	2 10				
Second Hudson City.....		18 43					
Lafayette.....		54 50	83 50				
Classis of Cayuga							
Canastota.....	7 00	5 00	10 00	5 00			
Chittenango.....	4 00	43 42	63 43	2 00			2 00
Cleero.....							
Lysander.....	12 00	6 00	32 25				4 00
Naumburg.....			2 40				
New Bremen.....			1 10				
Owasco.....	11 00	6 00	6 50				
Owasco Outlet.....	6 65		11 00			2 30	
Syracuse.....	34 05		150 99	81 77			
Thousand Isles.....		24 20					
Ulica.....	50 00	275 77	366 33				
West Leyden.....	7 00						
Classis of Geneva							
Lodi.....	57 00	60 73	163 56	23 20			16 50
Farmerville.....	12 76		93 62				
Geneva.....	33 45	37 84	110 53				
Ithaca.....	42 54	3 65	431 59	32 79			
Arcadia.....		10 00					
Tyre.....							
Caroline.....							
Wolcott.....	15 00		6 50				
Waterloo.....							
Buffalo.....							
Pultneyville.....							
Rochester.....	18 30		34 00	10 00			
Clymer.....	30 00	12 00	21 25				
Cato.....	6 50	9 00					
Mina Corners.....	5 00	4 00	8 25				
Athens, Pa.....	40 00	37 47	58 26	5 00			
Classis of Greene							
First Athens.....	9 72	19 57	52 51	6 30	8 71		
Second ".....			1 00				
Catskill.....	30 00	77 25	93 90	35 73			
First Coxsackie.....	25 10	27 50	74 75	2 00			
Second ".....	5 00	7 50	156 05	2 40			
Kiskatom.....			5 00				
Leeds.....	21 00	33 00	73 50	5 00	7 50	7 50	10 10
Moresville and S. Gilboa.....		6 25			1 40	1 40	
Prattville.....	14 89				14 84		
Roxbury.....	8 00	16 00	11 00		6 10	6 10	
Classis of Holland							
Drenthe.....			166 76				
Graafschap.....			30 00				
Grand Haven.....	17 00	15 73	69 00				
Grand Rapids.....	20 00	20 00	110 00				
Grandville.....							
Holland.....			700 45				

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Holland, cont'd							
Kalamazoo.....	8 00	6 00	80 00	14 85			
Muskegon.....		14 50	42 75				
North Holland.....			11 75				
Noordeloos.....			7 50				
Overyssel.....	22 20	25 00	187 17	13 25			
Pella.....	15 00	15 00	813 70				
Polkton.....							
Vriesland.....	5 00		10 30				
Zeeland.....			187 00				
Classis of Hudson							
Hudson.....	187 27	100 00	562 17	85 23	80 00	10 00	21 30
1st Claverack.....			94 00				
2d Claverack.....	25 00		94 96		18 12		21 68
Linthgow.....		5 00	56 00				
Upper Red Hook.....	10 00	20 00	57 00				
Germanatown.....	22 50		23 00				18 00
Greenport.....							
Tappan.....		15 00	37 50				
Classis of Illinois							
Fairview.....	24 00	19 55	170 36	3 00			
Pekin.....	23 63		105 93		20 00		
Vanderveer.....	5 00	8 30	10 00	5 00			
Burlington.....				8 00			
Spring Lake.....				26 50			
Raritan.....	9 50		18 25				
Bushnell.....		8 25	12 00				
Keokuk.....							
Davenport.....	23 00	84 15	13 00				
Whitehall.....						6 00	
Second Pella.....	4 00	25 00	23 00				
Classis of Kingston							
Bloomington.....			5 00	10 00			
Clove.....		11 00	22 10				
Dashville Falls.....			4 00				
Gullford.....	23 00	23 00	30 00				
Hurley.....	18 49	40 14	105 94	19 50			
Second Ch. Kingston.....	25 70	64 15	304 87				
Marbletown.....	10 00	78 10	98 78	6 25			
New Paltz.....	80 73	78 87	200 56				
North Marbletown.....	7 70	9 40	23 60				
Rochester.....			5 00	43 43			
Rosendale.....		5 00	5 00	18 14			
Samsonville.....				9 63			
N. Cl. Long Island							
Jamaica.....	23 00		122 94	81 50			
Newtown.....	41 33	25 19	32 76	43 51	16 51		
Oyster Bay.....	16 59	17 00	92 60				
North Hempstead.....	19 50		35 45	19 79			
Williamsburgh.....	47 56		439 06	122 77	20 78		
Astoria.....	34 10	90 00	892 47	15 50	71 30	71 35	15 50
Greenpoint.....	23 35	78 82	185 68	50 00			
Flushing.....	48 00	73 91	127 73				
Fourth Bushwick.....	11 00	43 10	43 10	7 50			11 00
Lee Avenue.....	86 10	94 05	600 00				

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N. L. Island cont'd							
East Williamsburgh.....	10 00	15 88	88 88				
Queens.....	9 18	10 00	15 85		10 00		
2d Church, Newtown.....			82 76				
Ger. Church, Astoria.....							
S. O. Long Island							
Brooklyn.....			2857 97				
Flatbush.....	210 67	464 47	946 22	118 50			
New Utrecht.....	55 85	305 87	546 48	20 00			20 00
Gravesend.....	16 13	110 75	107 81	36 30	10 00		12 80
Flatlands.....	85 63	36 80	81 23	50 07		10 28	
New Lots.....	17 50	23 50	218 71	15 85		9 85	
East New York.....	31 55	61 00	129 70	40 09			
South Brooklyn.....	25 46	5 73	21 11	6 75	6 57	6 56	17 13
Middle Brooklyn.....		200 00		38 84			
North Gowanus.....	29 55	45 97	71 93				13 00
North Brooklyn.....	69 75	205 18	794 92	17 09	24 80	24 79	50 11
Church on the Heights.....	264 62	686 45	8653 89	179 04	27 24	47 34	69 50
New Brooklyn.....	9 00	8 00	8 00		2 00	2 00	2 50
East Brooklyn.....	160 00	20 00	165 63	14 76			
Classis of Michigan							
Battle Creek.....	9 00	18 00	38 95				
Centerville.....	5 00		15 00	5 00			12 00
Constantine.....	7 10	10 00	12 00				
Mottville.....	2 90	3 27	8 00				
Porter.....							
Macon.....			5 00				
Grand Rapids.....		10 00	10 00	25 00			
Jefferson and Pittsford.....		10 00	18 00				
South Bend.....							
South Macon.....	10 00		11 00				
Second Holland.....	10 74	25 25	17 10	10 00	6 00	6 00	11 50
Cl. of Monmouth							
First Freehold.....	17 00	22 00	75 00				
Second Freehold.....		35 00	205 00				
Middletown.....	35 23	19 81	17 90	14 00		14 27	10 73
Spotswood.....	4 00	13 00	4 00				
Middletown Village.....		12 49	27 30				
Keyport.....			8 50	1 00			
Long Branch.....	11 00	10 00	15 00	5 00			5 00
Colt's Neck.....	19 10	7 48	27 67				
Cl. of Montgomery							
Aurlesville.....							
Cannoharie.....		5 20	5 00				
Caughnawaga.....							
Columbia.....							
Currytown.....		6 50	6 50				
Mapleton.....		14 90	9 35				
Ephrata.....							
Florida.....	38 46	33 44	68 96				
Fort Plain.....							
Fort Herkimer.....							
Fultonville.....							
Glen.....	23 00	33 15	51 25				
Hagaman's Mills.....	17 35	23 50	20 00				

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Montgomery cont'd							
Henderson.....			10 00				
Herkimer.....							
Manheim.....							
Mohawk.....							
Port Jackson.....			8 00				
Stone Arabia.....	9 80	6 00	14 50				
St. Johnsville.....	25 00		85 65				
Sprakers Basin.....							
Indian Castle.....							
Cl. New Brunswick							
First New Brunswick....	80 40	235 27	448 01	85 52	40 00	41 15	21 05
Six Mile Run.....	32 00	268 18	355 28	17 57	19 20		
Hillabrough.....	16 18	80 74	279 18	17 41	15 92	1 70	
Middlebush.....	57 48	80 00	185 05	21 25			
Griggstown.....	20 00	65 00	219 00	5 00	11 55		
Second New Brunswick....	23 61		437 17	19 82	88 11		16 58
Boundbrook.....	24 41	119 48	88 51				
Third New Brunswick.....	7 00	16 50	19 68		8 52		
East Millstone.....	12 80	78 97	287 88	21 67	9 40		
Metuchin.....	18 40	24 75	28 00	5 00	21 76		5 64
Cl. of New York							
New York, (Collegiate) ...	508 68	5466 26	14631 08	328 84	71 88	72 59	801 68
Thirty-fourth St.....	87 55	592 68	666 00		87 91	82 91	
Greenwich.....	34 10	9 25	159 20				
Twenty-first St.....	49 57		468 88				
North-west 23d St.....		173 08	2592 82	65 12	45 00	45 00	59 00
Ger. Evan. Miss. Church....	96 50		289 00				
Mt. Pleasant, 50th St.....		47 00	55 17	10 50			
Bloomingdale.....							
Harlem.....	55 51	845 80	1000 00	149 79			
Washington Heights.....	5 00	28 37	44 75	9 25			
Harlem German Reformed							
Mott Haven.....		25 00	18 00	18 27			
8d German Reformed.....	10 00						
Staten Island.....	28 62	110 75	166 68	8 88	31 50	25 14	9 80
Richmond, (S. I.).....	88 17	24 00	22 07	7 16	8 90		
Huguenots, Westfield, (S. I.)	4 65	20 18	12 00	1 72			2 50
Fourth German.....			80 00	6 25	5 50	5 50	5 50
Prospect Hill.....							
S. Cl. of New York							
Flatbush.....			105 50	74 45			
Tompkinsville.....	20 03	81 79	145 80				
South Dutch.....	415 21	874 15	2872 08				
Market Street.....		61 57	638 28	25 00	21 50		
Washington Square.....	1010 24	241 68	822 56				
Manhattan.....							
Bushwick.....		17 00	10 00	85 00			
Union, 6th Ave.....		20 73	8 50				
Ger. Ref. (Rev. A. Berkey) ..			6 28				
Ger. Ref. (Rev. J.S.Ebaugh) ..							
Ger. Tompkinsville.....							
North Trinity.....							

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Classis of Orange							
Berea	10 00	15 00	20 00	10 25			10 00
Bloomingsburgh		56 00					
Buckbrook							
Milesville							
Cuddebackville	11 00	10 00	10 00				
Deerpark	48 00	147 00	390 04	14 43		25 12	
Ellenville	34 80	79 02	44 87				
Fallsburgh		26 50	45 25	12 00			
Grahamville							
Upper New-rsink							
Jeffersonville	2 10	3 00	5 00		2 25		
Trumansville	2 40	3 15	2 92		2 00		
Mamakating			11 73				
Middleport		11 00					
Minisink		7 00	8 00				
Montgomery		135 00	7 00				
Newburgh	49 00	62 00	564 82	22 00			26 00
New Hurley			94 75				
New Prospect	21 12						
Shawangunk	15 00	50 00	124 83	5 00		5 00	17 00
Walden	31 38	60 00	182 50	24 62			
Upper Walpack			24 00				
Lower Walpack	10 00	10 00					
Wawarsing	7 10	20 67	16 80				
Classis of Paramus							
Clarkstown		86 71	209 11		116 10		
Tappan	28 45	40 00	41 75	32 00			
Aquackanonk	61 50	125 01	573 63	65 91			
1st Church, Totowa	7 19	5 50	62 09				
2d Church, Totowa	39 31	18 00	262 40	33 25			
Paramus	50 00		61 51				
Pascack	4 00		7 70	49 16			
Saddle River		14 00	16 60	16 00			
Ramapo		10 75	18 90				
West New Hempstead	8 25	24 04	38 49	17 47			
Warwick	25 00	30 27	90 83	45 00			
Nyack		20 74	165 00	70 00			
Piermont				7 00			
Holland Ch., Paterson	5 00	18 90	9 50	12 20		2 20	
Holland Ch., Lodi		16 39	15 87				
Broadway Ch., Paterson							
Classis of Passaic							
Boardville	8 00	10 00	15 00				
Fairfield							
Little Falls							
Montville	41 23	20 25	93 07			13 65	
Pompton Plains	36 47	51 50	79 00	17 85			21 00
Pompton	73 75	56 25	90 55	32 00			
Ponds							
Preakness			10 00				
Stone House Plains	10 00						
Wyckoff	5 40			2 00			

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CL. of Philadelphia							
Harlingen.....	68 50	87 00				
Readington.....	58 00				
Ne-Shanic.....	75 10	85 10	182 75				
1st Philadelphia.....	48 93	.....	83 55				
2d ".....	88 86	600 00	287 61				
3d ".....	150 00	53 25	425 58				
N. & S. Hampton.....	.....	8 25	75 73	6 00			
Blawenburgh.....	.....	56 05	208 00				
Stanton.....	.....	100 00	26 00				
Manayunk.....	6 00	18 00	23 00				
Rocky Hill.....	.....	69 50	79 84				
4th Philadelphia.....	.....	.....	.....	
Clover Hill.....	.....	20 00	50 00				
Addisville.....	24 30	4 25	50 00				
5th Philadelphia.....	.....	10 00	10 00				
CL. of Poughkeepsie							
1st Poughkeepsie.....	.....	168 85	565 20	18 88			
2d ".....	80 60	196 71	655 80		31 76		
Fishkill.....	120 58	.....	182 04				
Hopewell.....	42 65	65 66	168 48	28 15	.....	30 00	30 00
New Hackensack.....	15 00	41 80	63 50				
Fishkill on the Hudson.....	150 00	88 24	100 00				
Rhinebeck.....	32 11	10 00	125 00				
Hyde Park.....	.....	.....	23 40				
Greenbush.....	.....	.....	21 00	25 00			
Glenham.....	.....	25 50	32 41				
Cold Spring.....	.....	50 00	25 05				
Classis of Raritan							
1st Raritan.....	.....	47 04	92 02	19 78			
Bedminster.....	62 00	70 00	197 50	48 50			
Rockaway.....	.....	23 25	.....			
Lebanon.....	.....	.....	49 50				
North Branch.....	28 81	.....	100 15				
2d Raritan.....	.....	100 00	182 00	25 50			
Peapack.....	16 00	40 00	42 00				
Branchville.....	50 00	17 15	94 59				
3rd Raritan.....	41 00	75 00	123 85	30 00			
Easton.....	45 00	43 00	185 85	3 70	.....	.....	22 50
Warren.....	3 00	4 00	.....			
Plainfield.....	.....	.....	.....	
Central Plainfield.....	.....	.....	6 50				
Somerville.....	.....	.....	15 00				
CL. of Rensselaer							
Bloomington.....	.....	.....	.....	
Castleton.....	.....	.....	.....	
Chatham.....	.....	.....	34 50	15 37			
1st Ghent.....	.....	.....	15 00		28 00		
2d Ghent.....	10 00	.....	210 00	40 00			
Greenbush.....	18 91	.....	13 50				
Kinderhook.....	57 16	108 00	687 44	46 13			
Nassau.....	36 50	.....	100 00	73 71			
New Concord.....	.....	12 25	59 00				
Schooduck.....	18 67	48 21				
Stuyvesant.....	16 00	17 25	135 35				
Stuyvesant Falls.....	18 00	18 00				

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Classis of Saratoga							
West Troy.....	15 70	88 48	116 50				
South West Troy.....		50 00	50 00				
Wynantskill.....		20 00	20 00				
Boght	5 00	11 92	25 50				
Waterford.....							
Cohoes.....		81 50	51 50				
Rensselaer.....	9 00	4 08					
Union Village.....	70 00	90 42	169 09				
Saratoga		20 00	60 00				
Tioga.....	11 20	565 00	8050 00	.....	5 00	15 00	5 00
Easton							
Schaghticoke	7 00						
Northumberland.....	14 27	8 00	10 59				
Gansvoort.....	6 57		12 83				
Jackson							
Fort Miller.....							
Cl. of Schoenectady							
1st Schoenectady.....	88 38	89 14	127 50				
2d do		6 50	29 70	.....	7 15	.....	5 50
3d do	5 00	5 00					
1st Glenville.....	18 00	21 00	89 75	25 40			
2d do							
1st Rotterdam.....	14 00	13 26	.....	.....	11 00		
2d do		15 00					
Helderbergh							
Amity		27 74	54 98	2 50			
Niskayuna.....	15 00	19 50	65 75	6 40			
Lishas Kill.....	21 20	40 50	98 50	11 60			11 30
Princetown.....							
Day							
Classis of Schoharie							
Schoharie		19 00	48 83				
Middleburgh		10 00	80 01				
Schoharie Mountain.....							
Berne, 1st	14 40	20 00	83 00				
Beaver Dam.....							
Gallupville.....		7 00	9 57				
Knox		8 70					
Lawyerville.....							
Sharon							
Gilboa	9 53		61 25				
North Blenheim.....	3 30	7 03	8 08				
Breakabin.....		5 00	7 83				
Eminence							
Cobleskill.....							
Classis of Ulster							
Blue Mountain.....		18 50	74 45	18 00			
Catsban	10 50	.....	25 00	58 15			
Keopus							
Flatbush			25 00				
Kingston, 1st	109 50	147 50	266 29				
North Keopus.....		63 10	87 00				
Flatkill.....		9 53	9 51				
Saugerties.....		71 69	317 88	74 00			
Shokan	14 15	5 50	11 53	9 06			
Shandaken				9 00			
West Hurley.....		13 00	22 25	11 21			
Wiltwyck.....	6 30	44 30	7 80	6 30			
Woodstock.....		16 05	22 15				

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Cl. of Westchester							
1st Tarrytown.....	32 09	26 83	254 86	6 07			
2d "		47 68	421 69				
Unionville	19 66						
Greenburgh	4 79						
Greenville			74 10				
Yonkers	29 08	62 11	175 32				
Hastings	111 96	14 08	214 02	67 29			
Fordham		6 60	65 28				
Mount Vernon	18 54	19 81	92 00				
West Farms	28 83	28 76	65 85	10 40			
Bronxville		25 00	25 00				
Peekskill		83 75	26 50				
Cortlandtown		18 56					
Melrose	5 00		16 50				
Cl. of Wisconsin							
Franklin	3 80		60 50				
Bethlehem			46 25	12 85			
Holland	10 00	10 65	48 75				
Oostburg	15 00	6 00	55 00				
Sheboygan Falls	1 00	1 85	4 00				
Gibbsville			43 50				
Alto	12 37		190 60	25 70			
Milwaukee	10 89		102 00	19 55			
1st Chicago	9 47	45 00	97 25	40 00			
Livingston, Chicago			49 00				
High Prairie	20 00	10 00	150 70				
Low Prairie			144 55				
North Creek			6 10				
Silver Creek	45 35	5 00	20 00				
Forreston							
Eden		7 75					
Kewaskum		9 00					

ARTICLE XXIII.

PASTORAL LETTER.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XXIV.

SYNODICAL ARCHIVES.

Nothing occurred.

ARTICLE XXV.

ACCOUNTS.

The Committee on Accounts presented the following Report, which was accepted and adopted.

The Committee on Accounts respectfully report:

That there are in attendance at this Synod three delegates from the Classis of Michigan, four from the Classis of Illinois, two from the Classis of Holland, and one from that of Wisconsin.

According to the rule of General Synod, they are entitled for traveling expenses as follows:

4	delegates from the Classis of Illinois, each to....	\$36 00
3	“ “ “ Michigan, “	28 00
2	“ “ “ Holland, “	28 00
1	“ “ “ Wisconsin, “	32 00

The following bills have been put into the hands of your Committee:

John F. Babcock, for printing.....	\$15 00
Wm. Sampson, for stationery, &c	9 31
Sexton's bill for services and expenses.....	12 75

Your Committee would recommend the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sums apportioned to the Western delegates and the above bills be paid from the contingent fund of General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

A. H. MEYERS,
Chairman.

ARTICLE XXVI.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to publish fourteen hundred copies of the Minutes of this Synod, duly authenticated, and to distribute among the Classes the number of copies ordered by them, and that the price of each copy be printed on the cover.

Resolved, That the thanks of this Synod be presented to Rev. Richard H. Steele and the Consistory of this Church for their kindness in granting them the use of their house of worship, and the courtesies shown the members of Synod.

Resolved, That the Synod express to the families of this city their high appreciation of the hospitalities that have been extended to them.

Agreeably to the standing rule of the Synod the roll was called at the close of the session, when it appeared that Rev. E. S. Porter was absent without permission.

The Minutes were read and approved.

ARTICLE XXVII.

ADJOURNMENT.

Synod adjourned to meet in the Thirty-fourth Street Church, of the city of New York, on the first Wednesday of June, 1866, at 10 o'clock A.M., and was closed with singing and prayer, and the pronouncing of the Apostolic Benediction by the President.

ANSON DU BOIS, *President*.

DAVID COLE, *Adressor*.

C. L. WELLS,
BENJ. C. LIPPINCOTT, } *Clerks pro tem.*

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DAVID D. DEMAREST, *Stated Clerk*.

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Presidents of General Synod.

YEAR	PRESIDENTS	FROM WHAT STATE	PLACE OF MEETING
1794—	Rev. William Linn.....	New York....	Albany, N. Y.
1797—	Rev. Dirk Romeyn.....	"	New York.
1800—	Rev. Ira Condict.....	New Jersey....	Albany.
1803—	Rev. John H. Livingston.....	New York....	Poughkeepsie, N. Y.
1806—	Rev. James V. C. Romeyn.....	New Jersey....	Albany.
1809—	Rev. Nicholas Lansing.....	New York....	New York.
1812—	Rev. Jacob Sickles.....	"	Albany.
1814—	Rev. John M. Bradford.....	"	New York.
1815—	Rev. John Schureman.....	New Jersey....	Albany.
1816—	Rev. Jacob Brodhead.....	Pennsylvania..	New York.
1817—	Rev. Cornelius D. Westbrook....	New York....	Albany.
1818—	Rev. William McMurray.....	"	New York.
1819—	Rev. John M. Bradford.....	"	Albany.
1820—	Rev. James S. Cannon.....	New Jersey....	New York.
1821—	Rev. Selah S. Woodhull.....	New York....	Albany.
1822—	Rev. Philip Milledoler.....	"	New York.
1823—	Rev. Jesse Fonda.....	"	Albany.
1824—	Rev. Thomas De Witt.....	"	New York.
• 1825—	Rev. Jacob Brodhead.....	Pennsylvania..	Albany.
1826—	Rev. John Ludlow.....	New York....	New York.
1827—	Rev. Cornelius C. Cuyler.....	"	Philadelphia, Pa.
1828—	Rev. Jacob Schoonmaker.....	"	Albany.
1829—	Rev. John Knox.....	"	New York.
1830—	Rev. Wilhelmus Eltinge.....	New Jersey....	New Brunswick, N. J.
1831—	Rev. John Gosman.....	New York....	Albany.
1832—	Rev. Isaac Ferris.....	"	New York.
1833—	Rev. Jacob J. Janeway.....	"	Schenectady, N. Y.
1834—	Rev. Sam. A. Van Vranken.....	New Jersey....	New York.
1835—	Rev. Robert Bronk.....	New York....	Philadelphia.
• 1836—	Rev. Thomas M. Strong.....	"	Albany.
1837—	Rev. Isaac N. Wyckoff.....	"	New York.
1838—	Rev. Benjamin C. Taylor.....	New Jersey....	Albany.
1839—	Rev. George W. Bethune.....	Pennsylvania..	Philadelphia.

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1840—	Rev. James Murphy.....	New York....	New York.
1841—	Rev. James Romeyn.....	"Albany.
1842—	Rev. James B. Hardenbergh.....	"New York.
1843—	Rev. William C. Brownlee.....	"Albany.
1844—	Rev. Jacob Van Vechten.....	"Poughkeepsie.
1845—	Rev. Maurice W. Dwight.....	"	... New Brunswick.
1846—	Rev. William H. Campbell.....	"Albany.
1847—	Rev. Abraham Messler.....	New Jersey....	New York.
1848—	Rev. Thomas E. Vermilye.....	New York....	Kingston, N. Y.
1849—	Rev. George H. Fisher.....	"New York.
1849—	Rev. Jacob Van Vechten, (ex. ses.).	"Schenectady.
1850—	Rev. Jeremiah Searle.....	"Poughkeepsie.
1851—	Rev. Alexander M. Mann.....	"Albany.
1852—	Rev. Gustavus Abeel.....	New Jersey....	Williamsburgh, N. Y.
1853—	Rev. Duncan Kennedy.....	New York....	Philadelphia.
1854—	Rev. Mancius S. Hutton.....	"Hudson, N. Y.
1855—	Rev. Ransford Wella.....	"New Brunswick.
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